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OUR WINTER WONDERLAND

OUR town has received national plaudits again - this time after the Sunday Times described a stroll through Oare marshes as one of the best places in the UK for a bracing winter walk.
And it singled out the Shipwright's Arms pub for particular praise.

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BY NICK AMES

MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

A CRUCIAL service which helps the elderly get to and from hospital is under threat due to a lack of volunteers.

And as part of Yoursware's on-going Make The Difference campaign, we are joining forces with the organisation Age Concern to make a desperate plea for help in keeping alive the vital transport service.

Make The Difference urges kind-hearted readers to donate as little or as much time as they can to volunteer for charity organisations which in turn helps the entire community.

Gill Ball is in charge of recruiting volunteers for Age Concern which currently uses a body called Personal Services Group to undertake driving duties.

But she explained they were short-staffed. So the charity wants to recruit directly and allow people the opportunity to help the community by putting themselves and their vehicles at its disposal.

Ambulance services have offered similar transport, but these have declined over recent years and in many cases the vehicles have to be full before a journey is scheduled, which can lead to delays and cancelled appointments.

The car service is seen as vital for the vulnerable to get them safely to appointments at either Ashford's William Harvey or Canterbury's Kent & Canterbury hospitals.

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Hobby brings a taste of festive Americana to Garden House

■ BY NICK AMES

THOSE wanting a slice of an all-American Christmas this year can now ensure their home looks the part courtesy of a store in Teynham.

American Primitive is particularly popular in rural areas with its wooden representations of trees, Father Christmas, reindeer and decorations.

Used to symbolise the festive season in films and TV shows from the classic *It's a Wonderful Life* to 70s hit *Happy Days*, Garden House on the A2 is packed with examples of a traditional craft which is gaining in popularity in the UK.

Shopkeeper Alison Bushell said: "They are examples of childlike art, but most people will be fairly familiar with them as they crop up in numerous shows and films when they are set at Christmas.

"Halloween and Mothers' Day are popular too, but the festive season is when I do most of my business."

Unusual

The decorations are made out of wood and Mrs Bushell imports them from across the USA.

They range from small Santa Claus figures to elaborate decorative trees and displays of figures or designs.

Also popular are the wooden wall plaques which have seasonal messages inscribed on them.

She added: "I got into the business because I just like them so much.

"To me they really do symbolise Christmas and all the traditions of the period.

"To be honest it is a bit of a hobby as I have another job, but I am making a go of it. I don't get much local trade – much of it is word of mouth and frankly some people are not sure what it is all about.

"But more and more people are getting the picture and seeing what good gifts these are for the time running



STATESIDE: Shopkeeper Alison Bushell imports all the decorations from America

up to Christmas – or on the day itself.

"I have always collected the designs and felt other people would appreciate them too.

"Now I mail order from places such as Ohio and Pennsylvania – states where they are very popular.

"I suppose they are a novelty in an English home, but they are so much associated with rural USA that they would be viewed as unusual in New York or Los Angeles as well."

Although companies in America produce the art forms they were closely associated in the past with village workshops.

They would then be sold at country fairs in small towns and villages, most of which are held in the autumn to sell-off farm goods and presents and gifts in preparation for the holidays of Thanksgiving and Christmas.

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Door-to-door service is vital for the elderly

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The alternative is an hour-long bus journey.

Mrs Ball said: "Visits to hospital are a very important part of life for those people of senior years who need medical attention. Faversham residents either need to get to Ashford or Canterbury as they are the nearest.

"But the problem is we have not got a sufficient number of drivers to take them there.

"Currently people are having to find other means of getting to their appointments and that is not always easy. There are trains to Canterbury and buses to Ashford, but obviously there are the possibilities of delays of one sort or another. Also, the last thing you want if you are not feeling too well is to have to stand around, especially at such a cold time of the year."

Mrs Ball said the charity provides a door-to-door service which makes sure elderly people get to their appointments on time.

She said: "Obviously being picked up from home is an added bonus to most, but for many people who need attention it is a must. They sometimes cannot make their own way even to the bus stop or train station.

"Then the fact the vehicle waits and takes them home again all adds to the stress being taken away."

All that is required to volunteer is a driving licence and a vehicle.

Anyone who is interested should contact Age Concern's Paula Owen on 01795 532766.

Planners give green light to new homes

PLANS to build eight new homes in Boughton have been approved by Swale's planners.

The proposals for the demolition of an existing property in Horselees Road and the construction of new houses got the green light at a meeting on Thursday.

The proposals have been recommended for approval by council officers as they say it fits in with the Swale Local Plan and the nature of the area.

Meeting will focus on flood risk along Creek

AN assessment of the flood risk for Swale is due to be discussed by members of the borough council tomorrow.

It will focus on potential problems along Faversham Creek. Members will be looking for a way to minimise the possibility of rising waters causing damage after an investigation by environmental consultants Halcrow.

Councillors want to ensure that flooding is taken into account during any planning applications.

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Family bid farewell to much-loved Anne

But say they're still baffled by death of the 81-year-old

A MOVING tribute has been paid to Anne Gregory – the pensioner whose disappearance sparked a major search in the town.

The body of the popular 81-year-old was found, last month, almost a week after she went missing.

And this week, at a church service, her life was remembered and celebrated – before her ashes were buried alongside those of her husband at a private ceremony.

But mystery still surrounds how she met her death and her family admit they remain baffled as to the events leading up to her untimely demise.

Statement

Mrs Gregory, from Churchill Way, was laid to rest before a full church of family and friends at Our Lady of Mount Carmel on Friday – her favourite place of worship.

Mrs Gregory had moved to Faversham in 1969 and instantly fell in love with the town. But tragically, just four years later her husband Jim fell victim to cancer and she was left a widow.

In a special statement, her family said: "Anne always kept fit by joining yoga, aerobics and line dancing clubs up until a few years ago when two foot operations made these activities more difficult."

■ BY NICK AMES

"She was a healthy, independent woman with a clear and focused outlook on life. She loved her church where she played an active role and was well known in the town."

"Anne was due to spend Christmas with her daughter, son-in-law, their children and grandchildren and they will naturally miss her presence, but will remember her in spirit."

"It was a blessing that she was able to see and hold her new great-grandson only two weeks before her disappearance and untimely death."

"How Anne arrived at the location in Iron Wharf where she was discovered is still a mystery to her family and friends as they believe that Anne, being unsteady on rough ground since the recent foot operations, could not have walked there unaided nor had she any connection with Iron Wharf."

"The six days when she was missing were desperate times for the family."

"Her disappearance baffled everyone including the police who used a vast range of resources to find her, including searching the White Creek area, where Anne was eventually found, despite being a non-swimmer with a strong fear of water."

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MISSSED: Anne Gregory's disappearance sparked search

Teenagers in line for free bus pass

PLANS to introduce a bus pass for young people across Swale are due to be discussed on Monday.

And if it is given the green light it means youngsters can take advantage of almost unlimited local travel for just £50 a year.

Swale councillors will be looking at similar schemes which have proved successful in other parts of the county.

The Kent Freedom Pass is set to be introduced locally next month and is aimed at reducing congestion caused by cars on the 'school run' and allowing secondary school children the chance to explore leisure options further afield. A six-month ticket lasting until June 2009 will also be available for half the price.

The pass provides free travel on buses across the county all day and every day with a few minor exceptions.

The scheme is also aimed at encouraging young people to opt for sustainable modes of travel – such as public transport – for their education and leisure travel rather than relying on cars.

It was first introduced in Tonbridge, Tunbridge Wells and Canterbury two years ago.

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DVD raises a glass to town's beer heritage

STILL looking for a Christmas present with a local twist? Then what about a new DVD focusing on the town's beer heritage?

The DVD, which looks at the history of hops, brewing and pubs, has been put together by the Faversham Society and is on sale in the Fleur de Lis Heritage Centre in the centre of the town. Entitled Make Mine a Pint, it features three 20-minute period-piece black-and-white films from the 1950s, linked by introductions by people prominent in the industries today.

Farmer Tony Redsell, of Nash Court, Boughton-under-Blean, introduces Kentish Harvest, about hop-growing, and Ian Dixon, who recently retired as production director of Shepherd Neame introduces The Brewer's Art, filmed mainly at Whitbread's former Chiswell Street brewery in the City of London.

Finally, a Shepherd Neame van arriving at the Alma, Painters Forstal, near Faversham, heralds House Proud, a training film for pub licensees, full of advice about how to serve customers and keep them happy.

The DVD is on sale at the Fleur, in Preston Street at £16.99 (£18.49 by post within UK).

Oare recognised by Sunday Times as winter hot spot

■ BY NICK AMES

MARSHLAND around the village of Oare – known locally for its 'barges, birds and big sky' – has been nominated as one of the best 12 areas for winter walking by travel experts.

An article in The Sunday Times – which also called Faversham a "cracking little market town" – praised the Saxon Shore Way as a destination for people looking to experience the English countryside at this time of year.

Pleasure

The article has been greeted with warm approval by tourist bosses and businesses across Swale.

It states the idea of venturing out in the cold is a countryside tradition, saying: "Like beer gardens and black pudding, the winter pub walk is a very British pleasure."

"You won't find the French drawing back their curtains on a frosty December morning and saying, 'Fantastique... Ou sont les bobble hats?'"

As well as praising the local countryside and the atmosphere it also applauds the isolated Shipwright's Arms pub, accessible only by footpath and waterway which has been in business for 300 years.

The article reads: "It's hard to believe that the Shipwright's Arms is in modern-day Kent – it looks as if it has drifted up the Swale from Dickensian England and been stranded on the banks of Oare Creek."

Ruth Cole, who runs the pub with husband Derek, said: "There is a huge amount of history locally which I am pleased this article picked up on. Our pub is a truly old world one and people always say it is straight out of a Dickens novel."

"We welcome everybody and as the news story points out it is an especially magical place to visit during the winter months."



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Children give MP lesson in taking the walking bus

TRANSPORT Minister Paul Clark visited St Mary's School in Whitstable last week to learn about their walking bus scheme.

Mr Clark joining a walking bus to St Mary's and spoke to children and volunteers about their experiences.

Representatives from Kent and Medway Walking Bus Group were also on hand to answer the minister's questions.

The group organises walking buses across the county as a safe and environmentally sustainable way for children to get to school.

New number will help get to root of your problem

PATIENTS who need urgent dental treatment will need to call a new telephone number from next week.

From December 15, patients who need emergency treatment can call the referral management centre on 01233 667997 who will find them an appointment at one of eight NHS dental access centres in east Kent.

The centre is open from Monday to Friday, 8am-4pm and the service aims to see all emergency patients with pain or swelling within 24 hours.

Cathedral concert offers up the best of baroque

WORLD-CLASS musicians will offer an evening of baroque entertainment at Canterbury Cathedral on Saturday.

The popular Save Canterbury Cathedral Christmas Concert will feature Musici Durovernum, an instrumental group which includes members of the English National Opera, and choral group The Marian Consort.

All tickets for the evening are £10, and the performance will start at 7.30pm.

Tickets are available on 01227 464764 or from the appeal's office at 27-28 Blegate.

Bomb disposal are called in for beach detonation

A CONTROLLED explosion was carried out on a wartime bomb found washed up on the coast of Reculver on Friday.

A local man out walking spotted the device on the beach near Herne Bay. He called police who in turn called in the bomb disposal experts.

The Thames Estuary is no stranger to war relics. Off the coast lies the remains of the SS Richard Montgomery, a boat which sank in 1944 with an estimated 3,000 tonnes of explosives on board.

New business centre's growth plan for talent



GROWTH PLAN: Minister for the South East, Jonathan Shaw (second left) set the diggers rolling on the scheme. Once completed it will look like the illustration above right.

WORK has begun on an ambitious £7.3million business centre designed to help boost the local economy over the challenging year ahead.

Based at the University of Kent campus, the Canterbury Innovation Centre is due to be completed next year and is set to attract jobs and money to the city, despite the downturn in the economy.

Crucially, it is hoped it will keep the brightest young talents within the district.

Funded by the South East England Development Agency (Seeda), Minister for the South East, Jonathan Shaw MP, set the diggers rolling at the groundbreaking ceremony last week.

The Innovation Centre will provide almost 25,000 sq ft of offices, studios and workshops,

BY GARETH ARNOLD

and is part of the university's strategy to halt the 'brain drain' highlighted by a council report earlier this year which said the district lacked highly skilled job opportunities, relying instead on less well paid sectors such as tourism.

This is prompting many graduates to leave the district to find work elsewhere.

Pilot scheme

One of the aims of the centre is to make the district more attractive for graduates to stay and work in and the emphasis will be on attracting businesses aligned to the university's strengths, such as security applications, medical devices technology, biotechnology, ICT and life sciences.

Seeda is keen to stress the centre will put Canterbury on the map for technology as well

as tourism. If work goes to plan, it will be open for business next October.

Lee Amor, executive director of development at Seeda, said: "It will provide an ideal environment for businesses to establish themselves and grow, making the most of the knowledge and skills that the local universities are generating."

"The Canterbury Innovation Centre is a real opportunity to develop the links between the east Kent economy and the university."

The University of Kent tested demand for the Innovation Centre by setting up a smaller pilot scheme at the campus in 2005, called the Canterbury Enterprise Hub, which currently has a long waiting list.

Tenants include award-winning companies such as Oil Drum Ltd, recent winners of the Kent Innovation Challenge 2008. They will be among the first companies to be offered space in the new centre.



£3,400 for 'hunger strike' medal

BY CHRIS BRITCHER

A MEDAL awarded to a woman for a hunger strike in her fight to help secure women's rights has sold for almost double the asking price at a Canterbury auction.

The silver Suffragette 'hunger strike' (pictured) medal sold for £3,400 at the Canterbury Auction Galleries last week. It had been expected to sell for around £2,000.

The medal, pictured, had been presented in 1912 to Anna Hutchinson "by the Women's Social Political Union in recognition of a

gallant action whereby through endurance to the last extremity of hunger and hardship, a great principle of political justice was vindicated".

It was sold to an online collector from Essex.

A spokesman for the auction house said: "The medal was awarded by the WSPU to those militant suffragettes imprisoned

for various acts of violence and who went on hunger strike whilst in prison.

"At first, they were forcibly fed under the most barbaric conditions, as a result of which several died."

"The Government subsequently introduced the so-called Cat and Mouse Act whereby hunger strikers at the point of death were released, but then re-arrested and returned to prison when they had recovered sufficiently from their ordeal."



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SMALL WONDER: Former *EastEnders*' actress Emma Barton (centre) is Snow White in this year's Marlowe panto

Panto marks the end of an era in style

IS this the best Marlowe panto yet? Oh yes it is!

It's traditionally the most eagerly anticipated run of the year, and Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs, which is now in its second week, does not disappoint as it serves up perhaps the perfect family production.

In fact, if ever there was a fitting finale for the final panto in the current Marlowe then this is surely it.

For this is a far more focused and flowing affair than previous efforts. The jokes seem sharper and the cast all excellent; each role clearly defined and interaction with others well worked.

And the storyline rockets along without any of the all-too-frequent bizarre tangents it has, in the past, gone off on.

Alluring

Stephen Mulhern – back from his starring role in *Aladdin* last year – is proving something of a panto expert. As Muddles, he has a warm and easy rapport with the audience which is, as any panto-goer knows, such a crucial ingredient.

It is his sparring with Ben Roddy as the evil Queen's Henchman which is perhaps the highlight. The David Walliams-esque Henchman has some quality lines and Roddy, who has played the role elsewhere in the past, is one the audience quickly warms to. *EastEnders*' star Emma Barton ticks all

■ REVIEW BY **CHRIS BRITCHER**

the boxes as Snow White, while Richard Hurst injects sufficient humour into Prince Charming to ensure you root for him to win Snow White's heart, despite Muddles' secret adoration for her.

By the time you've thrown in Dave Lee – who is back to top form, looking healthier, and complete with that bench in tow – the whole production is truly spell-binding and fantastic fun from start to finish.

But, of course, the stars of the show are the seven dwarfs. You could discuss the politically correct aspects of panto until the cows come home, but there is no getting away from the fact their scenes so often stole the show.

By the time you've thrown in some well choreographed dance sections, a surprise appearance by another *EastEnders*, and a strangely alluring evil Queen Ivana (you can guess the jokes with that name), and this really is quite brilliant.

Next year the panto will be staged in a big top in Kingsmead coach park... and Peter Pan will be the star turn. But don't wait until then. You owe it to yourself and your family to go to Snow White.

Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs runs at the Marlowe until January 18. To book log-on to www.marlowetheatre.com or call 01227 787787.

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Grand Marlowe finale is already a sell-out success

TICKETS for the Marlowe's final curtain next year have already sold out – more than three months in advance.

The eagerly anticipated Night of A Thousand Stars promises to be a star-studded event with some of the biggest names in show business making an appearance. But theatre-lovers hoping to snap up seats were met with signs declaring the event a sell-out.

The likes of Orlando Bloom have been invited to the final show prior to the Marlowe's demolition which is due to take place on March 22.

The line-up is being kept a tightly guarded secret, but is expected to include many who have graced the boards there over the years.

Meanwhile, tickets continue to sell well for Peter Pan – next year's pantomime.

It will be staged in a heated, all-seated, state-of-the-art theatre at Kingsmead Coach Park. Dave Lee has already confirmed he will be appearing – and bringing along the famous wooden bench for its 14th year of stealing the show.

Fenwick evening viewing highlights Govinder's art

INDIAN-influenced art from Govinder will be on show at The Art Room in a special viewing at department store Fenwick tomorrow.

Govinder's trademark cat, dog and elephant images are available as limited edition prints, sculpture and Royal Worcester china.

Refreshments will be served at the event held between 6-9pm, which will include Govinder's new releases as well as previous work.

The Art Room is on the second floor of the St Georges Street store in Canterbury. For more information telephone 01227 454840 or email canterbury.artroom@fenwick.co.uk.

Regiment given freedom of city at special parade

A SPECTACULAR parade marked The Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders' freedom of the city on Sunday.

The Royal Regiment of Scotland marched through Canterbury in a special parade to mark the award and their homecoming from Afghanistan. The parade started from Station Road West car park at 11.30am and followed a route up St Peter's Street and the High Street.

After collecting the Freedom of the City from the Lord Mayor, the battalion marched through Whitefriars Square to Canterbury Cathedral for a special private service of Thanksgiving and Remembrance.

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They're all in search of Snow White herself – none other than Honey from *EastEnders*, actress Emma Barton.

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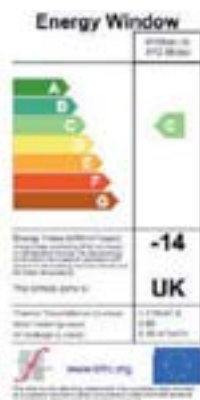
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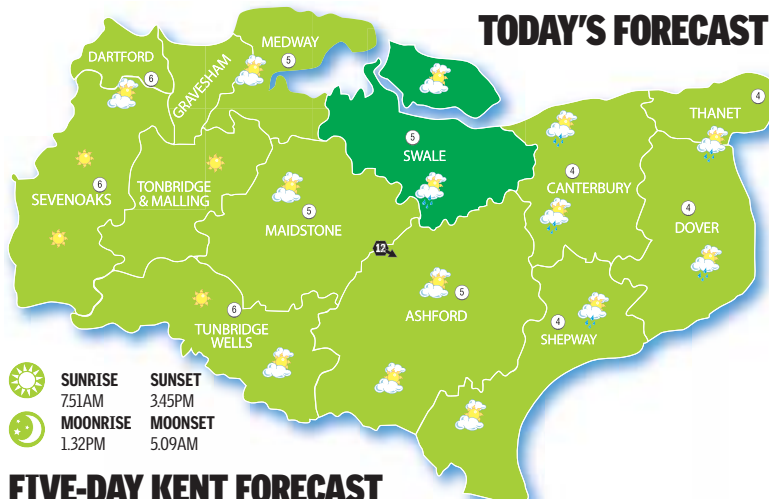
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Canterbury	5°C	4°C	5°C	4°C	6°C	Maidstone	6°C	5°C	5°C	5°C	8°C
Chatham	6°C	5°C	6°C	6°C	8°C	Ramsgate	5°C	4°C	5°C	4°C	6°C
Dartford	6°C	5°C	6°C	6°C	8°C	Rochester	6°C	5°C	6°C	6°C	8°C
Dover	5°C	4°C	5°C	5°C	7°C	Sevenoaks	4°C	4°C	4°C	4°C	6°C
Faversham	6°C	5°C	6°C	6°C	8°C	Sittingbourne	6°C	5°C	6°C	6°C	8°C
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	Sunday	10:12am	7.6m
Ramsgate	Saturday	9:37am	4.9m
	Sunday	10:29am	5.1m
Sheerness	Saturday	10:45am	5.5m
	Sunday	11:39am	5.7m
Whitstable	Saturday	10:42am	5.1m
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CONGRATULATIONS: Barbara Goulette with Terry Morris

Prizewinner cleans up with bathroom suite

THIS lucky woman has won a luxury bathroom suite in a company's prize draw.

Morris and Turner, who have stores county-wide, held the giveaway as part of a survey establishing how often the average family changes their bathroom.

Customers who had purchased a bathroom suite from Morris and Turner within the last 14 years were able to enter the prize draw by completing and returning a questionnaire.

Barbara Goulette, of Rugby Close, Chatham, was the lucky winner and was congratulated by the company's managing director Terry Morris.

Morris and Turner have been selling bathrooms across Kent for 40 years.

Neighbourhood lost

MORE people in Kent feel cut off from their neighbours than three decades ago, according to new research.

The University of Sheffield study found those with a 'poor sense of belonging' in their communities in the county has risen from 18 per cent in the 1970s to 25 per cent now.

The lead researcher attributes this to people moving around more and youngsters socialising through websites like Facebook.

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QUESTION & ANSWER

STEVE HORTON



Q What form will the Christmas safety campaign be taking this year?

A This year's winter drink drive campaign in Kent will seek to reinforce the message that 'drinking and driving wrecks lives'.

I firmly believe all drivers know this message, all know that mixing drink and drive is not just socially unacceptable but that it also places lives at risk. Clearly drink driving wrecks the lives of those injured or killed in a crash, as well as that of their family and friends.

However, drink driving also wrecks the lives of those that do it and yet manage to avoid crashing into someone. The minimum a drink driver can expect when caught is a driving ban, a hefty fine, as well as running the risk of imprisonment.

The facets to this year's campaign are a combination of education and enforcement. We will be using bus backs, poster sites and small scale TV advertising to remind drivers of the message, whilst our colleagues from Kent Police will be carrying out additional enforcement to identify and target drink drivers. In terms of who the message is aimed at, there appear to be three types of driver. They are:

1. Those who know the message, agree with it and do not drink and drive.
2. Those drivers that know the message but need reminding of it's importance, and
3. Those drivers that choose to ignore the message. This campaign will focus on driver types two and three (driver type one are the 'converted' and do not need 'preaching to'). Type two drivers are the majority of drivers

and are those that our education work (advertising and messaging) is aimed at because they are generally rational drivers that are open to logical argument and reasoning.

Type three drivers, the small hardcore of drivers that ignore or refuse to listen to the message, are targeted by the enforcement activities. Basically, if you choose to ignore the message and continue to drink and drive the only things that will change your behaviour is being prosecuted or being involved in a serious crash.

Q How important is it?

A Every year in Kent, more than 250 people are killed or injured in drink-drive crashes and what makes this figure even more appalling is that every one of those deaths and injuries is totally avoidable... no-one has to drink then drive. The selfish choice that some drivers make to drive after even small amounts of alcohol, needlessly wrecks lives.

Q What were the figures for last year's road crashes over the festive period and how many injuries/deaths occurred?

A Last winter we ran a similar joint campaign with Kent Police – using the same media for our messages which were supported by additional enforcement work. In December 2007, there were two road fatalities across Kent, none were drink-drive related, compared to the average for December in the past 10 years of eight fatalities [all causes].

Q What should people avoid doing when they go out?

A Even small amounts of alcohol [below the legal limit] will affect how safely you can drive. Alcohol affects judgement, perception and reaction times. The only sure way to know alcohol will not affect your driving is to stick to a zero limit – if you're drinking don't drive, if you're driving don't drink. Planning for a night out should include how you will get home and could include taking a taxi, using public transport or designating an alcohol-free driver for the evening.

Q What are your tips for groups who travel by car?

A As I said – designated driver. Additionally, don't overload with more passengers than the car is designed to cope with and ensure all are wearing their seat belts. The designated driver needs to be aware of the distractive effect that a car full of passengers that have been drinking could have on their driving.

Thought needs to be given by the driver to where passengers are dropped off and whether 'drunk' passengers will get out into the road and if they will subsequently need to cross the road

Q How active will Kent Police and KCC be this year?

A Our campaign runs across Christmas and into the first week of the New Year. This link will take you to our TV ad, the same ad was used last year. Visit www.kentroadsafety.info/.

QA

The man in charge of implementing the Christmas drink drive warning campaign for Kent County Council spoke to **Nick Ames** about the seasonal problem which can destroy families.

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Taking the stress out of Christmas shopping

Five easy steps to a hassle-free festive season

BY ANNA WHITE

CHRISTMAS shopping often means busy shops, long queues and endless lists of things to buy, but Bluewater has come up with a number of stress-busting antidotes.

To some people the idea of a stress-free Christmas shopping trip might seem too good to be true, so KOS Media put Kent's biggest shopping centre and the Stress Management Society's five-step scheme to the test.

Step one is to plan ahead, by looking at Bluewater's website before we set off we decided what shops we needed to go in, how long to spend in each one and what presents we needed to get.

On arrival we opted for the premier parking so when we return with our heavy bags we are greeted with a clean and sparkling car, and we also received a free goodie bag.

After ticking off some of the items on the list it was time for step two, taking a ten-minute break to escape the stressful atmosphere.

Bluewater suggests having a massage or beauty treatment at their onsite Molton Brown spa or using their quiet room.

Once you have taken time out you should feel refreshed and ready for round two of shopping.

After purchasing a few more gifts from our pre-planned list, we took step three and stopped for a caffeine-free drink, such as herbal tea or decaffeinated coffee.

When we are stressed we produce cortisol, which prepares us for flight-or-fight situations. The YouGov survey, commissioned by Bluewater, recommends avoiding adding extra artificial



SHOPPING: Christmas gift shopping can be made easier

stress to your feelings, which caffeine can do.

Step four is taking a walk, and the shopping centre's grounds and Winter Wonderland is the perfect place to do so, with an ice rink, Christmas market and plenty of nature trails and parkland.

Walking burns off stress hormones like cortisol and adrenaline, and helps produce mood-enhancing endorphins, making you ready to tackle the rest of your shopping list.

Lastly, step five is to make sure you have a cut off point for planning your Christmas.

When your festive shopping is done you can sit back, relax and enjoy the rest of the season, which is just what we intend to do.

The step-by-step scheme gets the thumbs up from our reporters, who left Bluewater feeling stress-free and satisfied they had completed all of their Christmas shopping in one go.

To start planning your shopping trip visit www.bluewater.co.uk for a list of the centre's 330 shops and information on its stress-busting facilities.

Bluewater is now open from 10am to 10pm on weekdays, from 9am to 9pm on Saturdays and 11am to 5pm on Sundays.

It lost £50m of your money... Now KCC backs a council bank

COUNCILS could team up to form a national town hall bank to protect taxpayers' money from crashes in financial markets.

Peter Gilroy, the chief executive of Kent County Council is backing the idea in the wake of losing £50 million invested in Icelandic banks during the credit crunch.

He said the idea of local authorities running a bank made sense as it would protect council reserves.

The move would see some of the cash available to councils across the UK invested in their own newly-created financial institution.

Research into the plan is still at an early stage but financial analysts say it is a practical proposition.

Mr Gilroy said: "Finding a way forward means looking at the big picture and seeing how local councils across the country can work together."

Principles

"What is clear is that the public interest principles of running a bank would be great for business and would sit well alongside other work KCC and other councils are doing to support local economies."

"With that in mind, we will be working with the New Local Government Network and other councils on the idea of a 'Councils Bank'."

"This could be a win-win situation. With local authorities as shareholders you have the chance to use dividends for investing in services or returning money to the taxpayer."

Chris Leslie, director of the New Local Government Network, said: "If only a quarter of the £15bn to £20bn of local government reserves were invested in a 'Councils Bank', then millions of available capital could be released, regardless of how sticky private lending between banks might be."

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Calling all injury ridden footballers, help is at hand

NHS Careers is giving one unfortunate football team the chance to win brand new kits for its entire squad.

As part of the Step into the NHS campaign, the group has launched a competition today to find the most injury-hit youth or school football team in England during the 2007/08 season.

And they want to hear from an unlucky side in Kent to take part.

Along with new home and away kits for each member of their squad, the winning team will also receive tips from a range of NHS professionals on healthy eating, exercise and staying fit. Physiotherapists, dietitians and exercise physiologists, will help them lose the 'sicknote' tag and turn them into a championship winning team.

Exercise

NHS Careers will follow the winning team's progress next season on the Step into the NHS website, including squad details, fixtures, results, highlights of key games and interviews with team members.

Healthy eating and exercise tips will also be available on the website.

Alan Simmons, Careers Consultant for NHS Careers, said: "Many teenagers think of careers in the NHS as being about doctors, nurses and blue lights. But just as a football team needs more than players to be a success, the NHS needs people for a whole range of careers. In fact, there are over 350 different careers to be explored.

"The competition winners will receive advice from NHS staff working in a small sample of these careers. As well as advice on healthy eating and exercise, they will give the teenagers a taste of the various career opportunities in the NHS."

Letting evil off the hook

Successful stage and screen actor **Alex Giannini** faces the challenge of bringing the dastardly Captain Hook to life in *Peter Pan* at the Orchard Theatre, Dartford. Having faced the audience for the first time last week, he told KOS Media how it feels to be the biggest villain in Kent.

AFTER all the rehearsing, it was fantastic to do the show with an audience at last.

When you get to the dress rehearsal stage and you're getting no reaction because there's nobody there, you really rely on the audience. It's two-way traffic. It was great, like unleashing the dogs of hell.

There was a big boo for Hook when I first appeared, just this huge noise. It was like a tsunami of young voices, it was great fun. Hook is a fantastic character to play. You don't even have to be in a good mood to play him.

We've already started to buzz off each other



BOO: Alex Giannini and Joe Pasquale as Captain Hook and the bumbling Smee, inset right is Alex as himself

as characters, so we'll be doing different things. We won't be making changes, more like developments – finding out what works and. There might be something in rehearsals that we're not sure if it's funny, but then we find out it works. The audience help us.

I'm developing the character of Hook because he's the epitome of evil. He's like a cross between Dick Dastardly, Terry Thomas and Dr Zachary Smith from *Lost In Space*.

The kids just go crazy when they see him.

I've started to play with it and give them an extra growl as I'm going off to get them going again.

I last did panto in 1987 and I'm having such fun, it's a great feeling to be in a pantomime at Christmas. I think I'll do it again sooner this time. But ask me again in a few weeks, when I've pulled a few muscles and lost my voice.

Peter Pan at the Orchard Theatre until Sunday, January 11. Box office 01322 220000 or www.orchardtheatre.co.uk.

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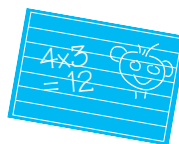


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Among a host of top performing students in recent examinations was Anna Cordes, who sat the GCSE government and politics paper.

Out of 3,380 candidates, Anna achieved one of the top ten marks in the country according to Edexcel, the UK's largest awarding body.

Further high achievers were Ruth Mason, Jessica Muddle and Rebecca King, who were also among the elite achieving a top ten position in GCSE art and design.

Another shining star was Johnny Knight who out of 33,784 entries also achieved a top ten place in GCSE maths.

Headteacher David Anderson paid tribute to all the students.

He said their well-deserved success came about as a result of their hard work and dedication, with the support of all the teachers and staff at Queen Elizabeth's.

Big-hearted skippers

SCHOOLS across Kent raised a magnificent £26,218 for a national heart charity last year.

An impressive 71 schools in the county took part in Jump Rope For Heart initiative.

For this coming year, the British Heart Foundation has released a new skipping skills DVD as part of its popular sponsored skipping challenge, making it even easier for teachers to introduce skipping in their schools.

It contains beginners' and advanced skills sections, and slow-motion demonstrations.

A spokesman said: "If you're a teacher in Kent who doesn't know your twister from your slalom, or your jumping jax from your double dutch, then the BHF's Skipping Skills DVD is for you."

To join the Jump Rope For Heart initiative, call 0845 130 8663.

Bookworms turning over new (free) leaf

■ BY NICK AMES

BORDEN Grammar School pupils have received free books from the Booktrust under a national initiative supported by the Government.

All students who joined year seven at the Sittingbourne school in September were given a book.

The aim of the scheme is to encourage young people to read for pleasure. Gill Covus, the school librarian, said she was delighted with the scheme.

She already promotes reading strongly among all the school's students and runs a reading awards scheme with boys in their first two years in the classroom.

She said: "The library is full to capacity with students at lunchtimes, so there is plenty of interest in reading already, but it is great to get extra support and encouragement."

"The school library boasts a wide range of fiction and non-fiction, including modern novels and stories, Horrible Histories, joke books and serious academic texts. We try to cater for all tastes."

Pupils were also delighted by the scheme, which enabled them to expand their reading horizons.

The initiative was set up by the Booktrust after exhaustive research into the best way to get young people interested in literature.

Academics studied reading patterns among



IN THE BAG: Borden Grammar School boys with their Booktrust gifts. Every year seven pupils received a book

children and also looked at what was on offer to them at schools across the country.

Although Borden Grammar already had an active library and reading was an important part of studies for all pupils, members of the trust decided they could help even further.

A spokesman explained: "Booktrust believes effective school libraries provide the most socially inclusive means of giving all children

the opportunity to enjoy books.

"Yet there is no statutory requirement for schools in England to have a library and anecdotal evidence suggests that provision of books in schools is patchy."

"With this in mind, Booktrust commissioned a survey of head teachers in state primary schools and librarians in state secondary schools in England."

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Primarily, it performed something of a masterstroke by snapping up the rights to all of England's away World Cup qualifying matches... just at the point England starting playing well and were actually worth paying money to watch.

As a result, I joined thousands of others in treating myself to a subscription, with the intention of cancelling the moment I could.

Or, more to the point, the minute my wife discovered I was spending yet more on sports channels I already rarely watched.

She had a point. After one England match, the bulk of my viewing extended to a re-run of the (albeit thrilling) 1979 Arsenal v

Manchester United FA Cup final on Arsenal TV – a club channel they throw in for free.

Probably not worth the subscription money, if I'm being honest. I could have bought a DVD of that 1979 final for less.

So, after being rumbled, I was on the phone and cancelling this week. Despite reading scare stories about how tricky it could be, they were friendly and helpful and all went well. Until they put me on hold.

I'd already turned down a cut-price deal to keep me subscribing for a further few months. I'd turned down their advice to speak to a 'loyalty team advisor'.

Now I had an unrelated query and they were transferring me to someone to discuss it. However, as they put me on hold, music started – it was Cold As Ice by Foreigner.

Nothing wrong with that, you might say. A classic. A song you hear all the time.

Until, of course, you listen to the opening verse. So picture the scene. I'd just cancelled my subscription. I'd just turned down generous offers to stay. And the first words are:

*You're as cold as ice
You're willing to sacrifice our love
You never take advice
Someday you'll pay the price, I know*

OK, I'm sure it was coincidental, and probably a tongue-in-cheek reference to the chilly weather, but part of me just thought: "Clever. This is the music for the freshly cancelled. It's rude and insulting ... or is it?"

I'm still not sure it was intentional, but part of me would like to think it was. You'd have to admire the bare-faced cheek. I like to think there's a button they press for the newly cancelled which allows the otherwise polite and efficient staff to give an exiting customer a gentle kick.

Part of me wanted to hang on and find out what the next song was. I Will Survive by Gloria Gaynor, I expect. I took no chances and hung up.

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TALK TIME

ANDREA DON

The owner of Nickel Books', dedicated purely to works for children, situated in Sittingbourne High Street, talks about the importance of inspiring youngsters to read more.



Why did you take on this job?

I just have a love of books – that's about it really. I used to work in a chain store and got interested in children's books as customers seemed to want to know a lot about them.

You get to try at working in all the sections and children's books became my passion.

Do you think that is true of many people who work in selling literature for young people?

Yes, I do actually. Everywhere – well as far as I have found – in the book trade the most keen and the most enthusiastic are dealing with children.

Did you enjoy reading yourself when you were younger?

Very much, I loved it and in fact did very little else. I can't even say what my favourite works are as I have so many books that I love.

My grandfather used to read to me and I'd be sat on his knee. He used to get a bit annoyed as I'd read along with him and he used to say I already knew where the story was going.

How important do you think reading is to a child?

It's absolutely vital – if you can't read there is not much you can do. Everything in later life relies on it.

Without being able to read you are not going to find it easy to get a job or know what is going on around you and in the wider world.

YOUR LETTERS

Maritime history a mystery to me

I was very interested in the video posted online about the launching of ships in Faversham Creek. As a newcomer to the town I was not aware the area had such an interesting maritime heritage.

Maybe more should be made of this as surely the waterside is the perfect place for some sort of heritage centre?

That way we may see a greater amount of tourism in the town to the benefit of us all.

Mike Harvey
Faversham

Orange jackets to show up offenders during punishment

OFFENDERS carrying out unpaid work in public areas across Swale are required to wear bright orange high-visibility jackets from this week.

The move is part of a national scheme to improve public confidence in the justice system and came into force on Monday.

Shedding light on offender jackets

Regarding the orange jackets being worn by offenders working on community schemes which you reported on last week – I heard a radio interview in which one such person claimed it was an infringement of his human rights.

I previously supported this being bought in but it is statements like this that give so many right-wing commentators



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the chance to ridicule it.

Surely if you are working outside in hours of darkness a high-visibility jacket is a must?

And it's better for this person to have his rights abused in such a slight way as to find himself flung over the bonnet of a speeding car.

Brian Albright
By email

Switched on for the festive season

I attended the Christmas lights switch on in Faversham the weekend before last and was struck by the quality of the music on offer.



Noddy and Big Ears on hand to light up town for Christmas

BY NICK JAMES

NODDY and Big Ears made a special guest appearance on stage on Saturday to help flick the switch on the town's festive illuminations.

A procession, which included Father Christmas on a float, the school choir, the town's brass band and the Rotary Club, started off the town's festive illuminations in the Market Place.

The school choirs were excellent and in good voice throughout the day.

The event was a tribute to the town and how its residents take pride in the place where they live.

Sarah Priestley
By email

Teach young the value of Christmas

Last week you featured on your video site a number of Christmas presents which are set to be best sellers this year – but are they really?

I know many people are putting an end to bombarding children with gifts they hardly look at before tearing the wrappers off another and leaving that discarded on the floor.

If the credit crunch is good for anything it could be that it will show young people they should value gifts instead of just calling for more and bigger.

Nancy Bishop
By email

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Gregory's Girl is still in a class of its own

Enjoyed your article in last week's paper about teachers' favourite school films. I too adored Gregory's Girl and thought it one of the finest.

However, I was stunned to see Ferris Bueller's Day Off in the list. Granted, it is about a school boy (albeit one who looks about 25) but the whole point of it is that he's skipping school for a day.

While he's driving around the prized sports car of his best friend's dad, all we see of the school is his hapless headmaster and his increasingly frustrated sister.

Breakfast Club, on the other hand, is surely a work of genius. Granted it is very American, but I always felt the sense of camaraderie it creates is a fair reflection of what school or college in this country can achieve.

And, while I'm at it, Grease – hardly a realistic portrayal of school is it!?

Ian Robinson
By email

Woolies was past its sell by date long ago

While it is sad to see Woolworths in trouble, can I be the first to say that I do not see it as completely bad news?

In fact, I see it as the end of a much unlamented era – when shoppers settled for cut-priced, poor-quality goods.

Woolworths is a remnant of 70s Britain – a time of strikes, bad food, rubbish footballers, rotten haircuts, terrible music, 'the sick man of Europe' and the three-day week.

It was before decent food was available almost everywhere, excellent coffee shops were in most towns and the pub was a place with a bit of style (well some are).

In fact that was a time when the whole of Britain was a rubbish place to be and racism, skinhead violence, football thugs and IRA terrorists dominated the headlines.

So if British shoppers have become too sophisticated to go and see what's on offer in Woolies I feel that is all to the good.

Rebecca Watson
By email

They're all going on a summer holiday

Surely if that was a poll of teachers' top movies, their favourite film would be Summer Holiday wouldn't it?

P Jones
By email

Target MPs to get rail ticket prices reduced

As a rail commuter, I am suggesting a response to the well-above inflation rail fare increases about to hit commuters. I suggest all rail commuters write one letter a month complaining about rail fares to their MP. The intention is to make rail fares a major issue for Kent's MPs.

Rail fare increases of more than ten per cent in some cases, and over seven per cent for everyone, are even worse than those we were threatened with two years ago.

Over the last ten years, bus and rail fares have risen by about 37 per cent in real terms.

This compares with the cost of car use remaining roughly the same in real terms. If the Government is serious about reducing traffic congestion and air pollution and dealing with climate change, it has to ensure adequate investment in railways.

This includes keeping fares down to encourage use of the railways rather than cars.

I suggest that if every rail commuter writes a letter a month to their MP, we can make excessive rail fares into a major issue, forcing the Government to respond with increased investments.

We all know the Government is making unwise investments in banks, in ID cards no one wants, in quangos and in overseas defence commitments.

There is plenty of money available for investment, including the full electrification of our railways so we reduce fossil fuel energy. It is a matter of political will, not a lack of resources.

Dr Hazel Dawe
Chair Kent Green Party

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Sun 25	London Eye, Lunch & River Cruise	£59
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FEBRUARY

Date	Destination	Price (Adult pp)*
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Tue 10	Paris In Springtime – by Tunnel	£40
Wed 11	Lunch At Moulin Snick, St Omer – by Tunnel	£40
Thu 12	Milestones Living History Museum New	£25
Sun 15	Bruges or Sluis – by Tunnel	£30
Tue 17	Windsor Lunch Cruise New	£35
Thu 19	Wisley Gardens At Springtime	£25
Sat 21	London Showtime	fr £54
Sat 21	Hampton Court Floramania New	£30
Sun 22	London Eye, Lunch & River Cruise Mothers Day	£59
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Gertcha self dahn for a Tap'n'Tin knees-up

BY SIMON ROBINSON

FORMER Libertines frontman Pete Doherty will return to Chatham next week to play on the undercard of cockney rockers Chas'n'Dave's Christmas Tap'n'Tin gig.

We can reveal that the once-troubled singer/songwriter will act as warm-up for the Snooker Loopy duo in a repeat of last year's fantastic Christmas offering.

Pete's appearance was being kept under wraps by Tap'n'Tin bosses, but with the eagerly-anticipated gig just ten days away the cat has been let out of the bag.

A few tickets are still available, so visit www.wegotickets.com to get your hands on one. Do it. Do it now.

Videos of Pete's and Chas'n'Dave's sets from last year's performance are available on our website, www.yourkenttv.co.uk, and at the right of this page.

To get you in the mood for the pre-Christmas treat, here are my top five Chas'n'Dave/Pete Doherty-related YouTube videos:

- Snooker Loopy by the Matchroom Mob with Chas'n'Dave (<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=BliAPzEsao0>).

This clip, viewed more than 75,000 times, shows the official video to the novelty pop song Snooker Loopy, a number six smash hit in May 1986. Featuring professional players of the day including Steve Davis, Terry Griffiths and Dennis Taylor on backing vocals, the timeless tune boasts lyrical gems such as "old Willie Thorne, his hair's all gone".

- Amy Winehouse (<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=hdxBJyonNgw>).

Doherty and Amy Winehouse use newborn mice ventriloquism to send a message to Amy's then-incarcerated husband Blake Fielder-Civil. Holding one mouse up to the camera, Amy says: "Blake, please don't

divorce mummy, she loves you ever so. I'm only a day old, I don't know what I'm doing, but I know what love is." Pete, holding another mouse, chimes in with: "If you do divorce her, you'll have me to deal with."

- Bizarre yet brilliant and viewed more than 1.2 million times.

- Kings of variety. The Two Ronnies use Chas'n'Dave as the inspiration for this Christmas ditty. Proper prime-time television.

(<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=IJCnhWsgii0>).

- Pete in the bath (<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=iEnGC6jKSA>).

The former Babyshambles singer speaks about the need to be clean before gigging. Good advice all round.

- Ossie's Dream (<http://uk.youtube.com/watch?v=WcXdlxZ5RiM>).

As the son of an avid Spurs fan, I feel it's my duty to draw your attention to this song, recorded for the 1981 FA Cup final.



ROCKNEY GEEZERS: Pete Doherty on the mic at last year's fantastic Christmas gig with Chas'n'Dave

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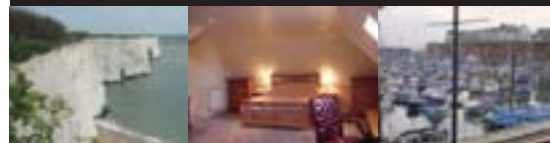
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BREATHTAKING: Hever Castle is stunning in itself, but throw in some frost, a husky or two and entertainment and it becomes a place of wonder

Royal fun for all the family

Enjoy Christmas in the queen's residence

EXPERIENCE the magic of Christmas in Anne Boleyn's childhood home, the beautiful Hever Castle.

There will be a variety of activities taking place at the castle during December, helping visitors get into the festive spirit in a stunning setting. For both children and adults, there will be a touch of magic about the castle this year.

Children can meet Father Christmas as he takes up residence, for the first time ever, in an enchanting snow-covered log cabin. Young visitors will make their way through the magical gardens to his festive home, where they can tell him what gifts they would like for Christmas.

For anyone who would like to send letters to Santa Claus, there will be a chance to send their last-minute wish-list from the village post office.

Animal lovers can meet a beautiful creature from cold climes when a husky dog arrives to greet visitors in the gardens.

The young at heart will also enjoy the seasonal atmosphere, particularly as they will be able to see the castle by moonlight.

The gardens will be illuminated with magical lighting and the castle adorned with decorated Christmas trees to create a breathtaking spectacle. With music and carols to be



THE MAGIC OF CHRISTMAS

Running until Sunday, December 21
Hever Castle, near Edenbridge

heard echoing through the castle at weekends, it will come alive with the spirit of Christmas.

Visitors will be able to find plenty of inspiration in the gift shop, which will be bursting with great present ideas and beautiful decorations to adorn their own homes.

On Thursday, December 18, the castle will be hosting a special Christmas evening and will stay open until 8pm. There will be lots of festive entertainment on offer, from

music and carols to the antics of fire-eating Taro the Jester.

The castle's restaurants will be serving up a hearty helping of Christmas delights, including favourite seasonal treats such as hot chestnuts, gingerbread men, hot chocolate and mulled wine.

On Thursday there will be the opportunity to enjoy a traditional three-course Christmas dinner between 6.30pm and 10pm. Meals cost £39.95 and must be pre-booked.

Hever Castle is open from noon to 6pm, Thursday to Sunday, until Sunday, December 21. Admission costs from £6.

Steeped in history and set in beautiful countryside, Hever Castle is best known as the childhood home of the ill-fated Anne Boleyn.

She first met the charismatic Henry VIII at the castle and went on to become his second wife after Catherine of Aragon failed to provide him with a male heir.

The king had also tired of his former mistress, Anne's sister Mary.

But although their daughter would become Queen Elizabeth I, Anne could not provide the longed-for son and she also fell victim to her husband's rage. In 1536 she was charged with high treason and executed.

For more information about the castle, phone 01732 865224, or visit www.hevercastle.co.uk.



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SIMON DAY
Friday December 12
Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury



FAST Show star Simon Day leaves behind the disguises to embark on his first solo UK stand-up tour.

Performing as himself for the first time in years, Day attempts to answer a multitude of baffling questions. He will talk about what it is like to be a clown, as well as more mundane puzzles such as fireworks and middle class dinner parties.

Day started out as a stand-up comedian in 1990 but soon discovered his talent for comic characters. With Tommy Cockles, based on old-time music hall comedians, Day won the Time Out New Act of the Year Award the following year. He was later asked to appear in the hugely successful sketch series *The Fast Show*, alongside Charlie Higson and Paul Whitehouse.

His unforgettable creations included Billy Bleach, the Over-Competitive Dad, Australian daredevil Carl Hooper and the bolshy Inspector Monkfish. Since *The Fast Show* finished after three series, Day has branched out into acting. A recent role saw him appearing alongside Simon Pegg in the comedy film *Run Fatboy Run*.

The show starts at 7.45pm and tickets cost £15/£13. To book call 01227 769075 or visit www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk.

FRANCES MCCAFFERTY

Friday December 12
Leeds Castle, near Maidstone



ENJOY festive celebrations from six centuries in the company of celebrated soprano Frances McCafferty.

Having spent the summer delighting audiences at Glyndebourne and Covent Garden, she will be presenting an evening of Christmas treats in the beautiful setting of Leeds Castle.

The evening will include works by Bach, Rutter, Vaughan Williams and Eric Coates with poetry and prose by Tennyson, Elizabeth Barrett Browning and GK Chesterton. These fabulously atmospheric pieces will be performed by candlelight in the Henry VIII Banqueting Hall, which will be decorated for Christmas and is a stunning location for an evening of fine entertainment.

The concert starts at 8pm. Tickets, which must be pre-booked, cost £20 for adults and £15 for children and concessions.

Wine will be available before the perform-



ance and during the interval. To book or to find out more call 01622 765400 or go online at www.leeds-castle.com/christmas.

There are lots of other festive events taking place at Leeds Castle during December. Full details are available on the website.

MARI WILSON

Saturday December 13
Gulbenkian Theatre, Canterbury



SINGER Mari Wilson will be getting in the festive spirit with her latest show, *The Christmas I Always Wanted*.

One of the most striking music stars of the 80s, Wilson made a dramatic debut with her sequined dresses, evening gloves and huge beehive hairdos. She scored six hit singles, including *Just What I've Always Wanted* and *Cry Me A River*.

Following the 25th anniversary of the former song being in the top 10, Wilson brings a special Christmas show to Canterbury. It will feature a selection of her best-loved hits and new songs and a trawl through her personal collection of influences, passions and a few indiscreet stories.

It also features a sneak preview of *The Love Thing*, a one-woman musical which Wilson has created and co-written. Spend a fabulously festive evening in the company of the Neasden Queen of Soul, who will be making it sparkle with her unique charm, glamour and wit.

The show starts at 9pm and tickets cost £15. Book online at www.gulbenkiantheatre.co.uk or call the box office on 01227 769075.

SWALE LEISURE

A different class of love story brought to stage

AN ELEGANT young lady at a French finishing school looks for true love in *The Boy Friend*.

Sandy Wilson's musical, set in the 1920s, explores what happens when a millionaire's daughter falls for a delivery boy. The show is being performed at Faversham's Arden Theatre by the Grass Roots Theatre Company from today to Saturday.

Tickets, priced at £8/£6, are available from Wyn's Florists in Preston Street or by calling 01795 539995.

Join the club for a dose of music and Omega 3

TWO founder members of the sorely missed Roaring Jelly will be visiting Faversham Folk Club next week.

Clive Harvey and Derek Pearce return to the folk scene along with Graeme Taylor as Omega 3, ready to entertain audiences with their clever and funny songs.

They will be at the Chimney Boy in Preston Street at 8.30pm on Wednesday, December 17. Tickets cost £7 for club members and £8 for non-members. See www.favershamfolkclub.net.

Enjoy music that's live and loud with rock gig

GET ready to rock out when the Slug Pixies perform in Faversham this weekend.

Formed in 2002, the band's sound has been described as 'rock music for the hard of hearing'. Find out more about them at www.slugpixies.com.

The band will be playing live at the Swan & Harlequin in Conduit Street on Sunday. For more information about the venue call the pub on 01795 532341.

Come to the university for a seasonal concert

ENJOY festive music at Canterbury Christ Church University.


The Cantata Christmas Concert is being staged at St Gregory's Centre for Music on Sunday, starting at 7.30pm. The event is open to the public and there will be mince pies and wine. Tickets cost £10 or £4 for students. For details call Lucy Ross on 01227 782502 or see www.canterbury.ac.uk/events.

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Book shops will all be looking to lure in buyers with deals. The RRP is £6.99 but the likes of WHSmith are slashing the price by up to 50 per cent.

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YOUR TV REVIEW

LOUIS THEROUX'S WEIRD WEEKENDS Dave, 11pm, Sunday

BY TOM BETTS

IF you have only just discovered Louis Theroux, on the strength perhaps of his most recent programmes, his back catalogue showing on Dave is well worth checking out.

These show off his wide-eyed and inoffensive interview style, which prove to be a winning combination.

Whether he's spending time with the stranger stars in the celebrity firmament or seeking out the extraordinary, it's never a waste of time.

His recent Law and Disorder double bill delivered a snapshot of life in bleak, drug-ravaged neighbourhoods, where getting beaten up, hassled by police, arrested or shot is a real, everyday possibility.

It was powerful stuff.

Programme one took us to Philadelphia, or 'Killah-delfia' as one corner boy put it in no uncertain terms.

For all his initial composure the bespectacled Theroux seemed generally shocked by much of what he saw in the Pennsylvania city, meeting junkies and drug lords alike.

More of the same was delivered a week later as he travelled to Johannesburg to witness the reality of gun-totin' street life for thousands of South Africans.

It made for excellent television – in equal parts shocking and intriguing.

Louis has been the BBC's 'boy' for many years and wisely he has been left alone to do his own thing.

While the recent BBC Two efforts have tended to stick to the more serious issues, namely gambling, prison and crime, it was with his Weird Weekends series that made his name.



A REAL LIFE DRAMA: Louis Theroux's superb show is now being re-run on Dave... don't miss it

Dave (called Dave as "everyone has a mate called Dave"; no I don't get the thinking either) has shrewdly snapped up the rights to this series, and if you didn't see these the first time round, not tuning in this time would be foolish.

It's compulsive viewing for those with a taste for the bizarre.

From wrestling to spiritualism, to self-improvement and the LA swingers circuit, no stone is left unturned.

Working by that old technique, "give 'em enough rope and let them hang themselves" all manner of oddballs gladly step forward and more often than not do just that.

YOUR WEEK'S HOROSCOPE

BY RUSSELL GRANT



AQUARIUS (Jan 21-Feb 19)

MAKING friends with a newcomer could be difficult. They will probably want to keep themselves to themselves for the time being. The best way to break through is to ask for help with a project. Working together will prove stimulating. Your skills, will produce great results.

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TAURUS (Apr 21-May 21)

MONEY may be a little bit thin on the ground right now. The more frugal you are the easier it will be to make ends meet. Friends may try to coax you into hitting the party trail, but you will probably fancy a quiet Christmas especially if you need to watch your spending.

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LEO (Jul 24-Aug 23)

YOU won't have much time to rest and relax. Making money will be your first priority. It may be difficult to find lucrative opportunities. If you're looking for a job, you may need to take one that is beneath your ability. You never know which options will lead to something better.

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SCORPIO (Oct 24-Nov 22)

DON'T compare your lot with that of wealthier people. You are in very different situations. If you want to change your fortunes, focus on looking for more lucrative work. This may involve developing your creative talent, getting new qualifications or launching your own business.

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PISCES (Feb 20-Mar 20)

YOU may have to move because your current home is undermining a close relationship. Find somewhere that is acceptable to you both. A promotion or impressive job may be elusive. It seems as though there are more capable candidates. Don't be discouraged.

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GEMINI (May 22-Jun 22)

THE demands of work and family stop you doing as you please. This is really frustrating because you never interfere and try to stop people doing what they want. You think putting on airs to impress people is distasteful. Unfortunately, not everybody shares your view.

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VIRGO (Aug 24-Sep 23)

THERE will be precious little opportunity to spend time at home. You are needed at work where you must try not to be too hard on a newcomer who doesn't know the ropes. If you take it upon yourself to show them the ins and outs of the operation, be patient and tolerant.

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SAGITTARIUS (Nov 23-Dec 21)

SOME people seem determined to find fault with everything you do. Don't bother trying to get back into their good books. Their problem has nothing to do with you. An unreliable relative or roommate could try your patience and it will take all your willpower not to throttle them.

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ARIES (Mar 21-Apr 20)

ANY chances you might have to venture out and explore could be thwarted by mundane routine responsibilities. You need to finish a boring chore that has been sitting on your desk for weeks. Although you loathe this sort of work, it needs to be done and done properly.

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CANCER (Jun 23-Jul 23)

ALTHOUGH you long for peace and quiet you may not get much of it this week. Neighbours and relatives have an annoying way of calling at the most awkward times. If you want to avoid trouble, return phone calls and emails as soon as possible or you'll keep getting nagged.

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LIBRA (Sep 24-Oct 23)

GETTING a direct answer out of an official will be a challenge because they'll want to dodge the issue. If you do exactly what they say and fail, you'll look incompetent instead of them. Avoid trouble by asking for all directives to be put in writing, then you can refer back to this.

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CAPRICORN (Dec 22-Jan 20)

SOMEONE will be weighing you down with nagging criticisms and although you're eager to improve, you can't learn under these circumstances. Find a more tolerant guide or mentor. Upsetting news from a neighbour or relative makes you want to dive into the shadows.

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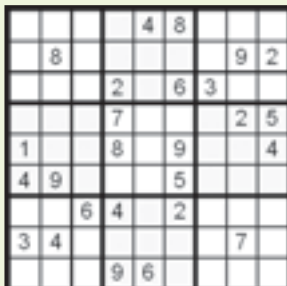
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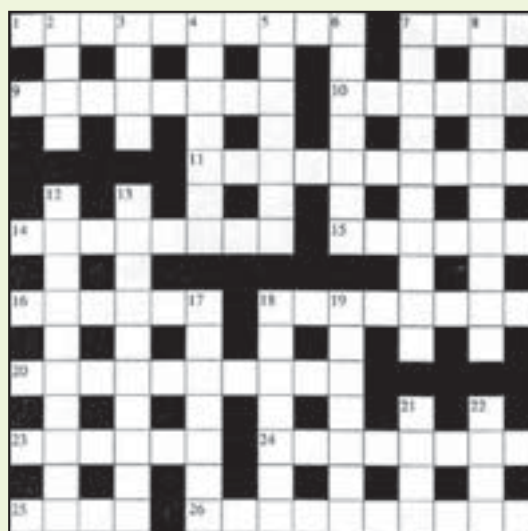
ACROSS

- 1 Erroneous warning not true in the French fashion, marine concluded (5,5)
- 7 We record leak (4)
- 9 Crazy outfit by a newcomer with song (8)
- 10 Jack with a delightful lady (6)
- 11 Avoiding attention, depressed with outline (3-7)
- 14 Shook case for arrows before end heartlessly (8)
- 15 Do all minerals come from these North Atlantic islands? (6)
- 16 Company open to all (6)
- 18 Corporal ignited gas before dance (8)
- 20 Piano hails from Caribbean island (10)
- 23 3-D record-player (6)
- 24 Short time with hesitation and impetus (8)
- 25 Square incision behind cony (4)
- 26 Handmaiden or handyman? (10)

DOWN

- 2 Girl married first mate (4)
- 3 Not all of one's crystal-ball used to practise crystal-gazing (4)
- 4 Sharp-cornered rug Alan upholstered (7)
- 5 Admitted everybody in debt (7)
- 6 Officer with tailless cat on island (7)
- 7 Anemone, current bloomer (10)
- 8 Outstanding feature's superiority (10)
- 12 Mixed fruit is cut ahead of time (10)
- 13 Demon drink? (4,6)
- 17 Agree large number are performing well (7)
- 18 For another American agent is to become diver (7)
- 19 Came in struggling after one was washed-out (7)
- 21 Knot on tree inside trunk narrowed (4)
- 22 Transport, say, with kiss (4)

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QUICK CLUES

ACROSS

- 1 Challenger (10)
- 7 Parts of the body (4)
- 9 Fertile female insect (5,3)
- 10 Hanging down (6)
- 11 Administration of justice (10)
- 14 Final programme (8)
- 15 Unwind (6)
- 16 Joined (6)
- 18 West Indian republic (8)
- 20 Irresolute (4,6)
- 23 Priest (anag.) (6)
- 24 Postpone (4,4)
- 25 Pull roughly (4)
- 26 On time (10)

DOWN

- 2 Female gamete (4)
- 3 Exclamation of relief (4)
- 4 Beer-mug (4-3)
- 5 Foot-lever (7)
- 6 Basic (7)
- 7 Unable to move because of ice (10)
- 8 Undergo (10)
- 12 Not replete (anag.) (4,6)
- 13 Sudden overwhelming attack (10)
- 17 Arrive in a vehicle (5,2)
- 18 Sea-mammal (7)
- 19 Land uncovered at low tide (7)
- 21 Tailpiece (4)
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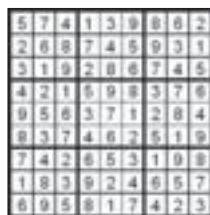
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CRYPTIC SOLUTION No65

ACROSS: 1 Strait-laced 9 Follow 10 Teacake 12 Recover 14 Go to pot 15 Mortarboard 16 RAF 17 Esq. 19 Prehistoric 22 Clear up 23 Mindset 24 Lasagna 25 Zygot 26 Institution. DOWN: 2 Tramar 3 Alluvia 4 Tow 5 Astigmatism 6 Exalted 7 Jasper 8 Certificate 11 Trumpet-call 13 Rubber plant 18 Queasy 19 Paragon 20 Tonight 21 Risotto 25 Zit.

QUICK SOLUTION No66

ACROSS: 1 Competitor 7 Feet 9 Queen bee 10 Droopy 11 Inducement 14 Epilogue 15 Loosen 16 United 18 Dominica 20 Wreak 22 Strip 24 Hold over 25 Drag 26 Punctuality. DOWN: 2 Ovary 3 Phew 4 Wield 5 Treacle 6 Radical 7 Frostbound 8 Experience 12 Open letter 13 Blitzkrieg 14 Dolphin 19 Muddled 21 Code 22 Cell.



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THE SECRET LIFE OF BEES (12A)



Based on the novel by Sue Monk Kidd, *The Secret Life of Bees* is set in South Carolina in 1964, and tells the story of Lily Owens, a 14-year-old haunted by the memory of her late mother. To escape her lonely life, Lily flees with Rosaleen, her caregiver and only friend, to a South Carolina town that holds the secret to her mother's past.

CHANGELING (15)



Changeling tells the story of single mum Christine, who arrives home one day to find her son Walter has disappeared. After months fearing the worst, Captain JJ Jones of the LAPD claims to have found Walter. It's a case of mistaken identity but in order to avoid a media maelstrom Jones forces Christine to lie.

FOUR CHRISTMASES (12A)



Be prepared for a crazy Christmas. Reese Witherspoon and Vince Vaughn star as a couple whose plans for an exotic Christmas are thrown into disarray when the airport becomes fog-bound. Instead, they find themselves forced to attend four separate family celebrations on the same day.

Thundering to the top

BY ELLIE GENOWER

PEOPLE always expect Ben Stiller to be funny.

It's not surprising, given he's made a career out of a string of hilarious characters; from the over-the-top vanity of male model Derek in *Zoolander* to his recent turn as an actor desperate to be taken seriously in *Tropic Thunder*.

As one of the most successful and esteemed comic actors in Hollywood, he isn't always able to hide his star power – even in the most unusual situations.

"I've had somebody ask for an autograph at a funeral," he admits, wryly. "That might not be appropriate. I gave it to them. I don't want to lose a fan. It was a family person who was closer to the deceased than I was, so I didn't want to rain on their parade even more."

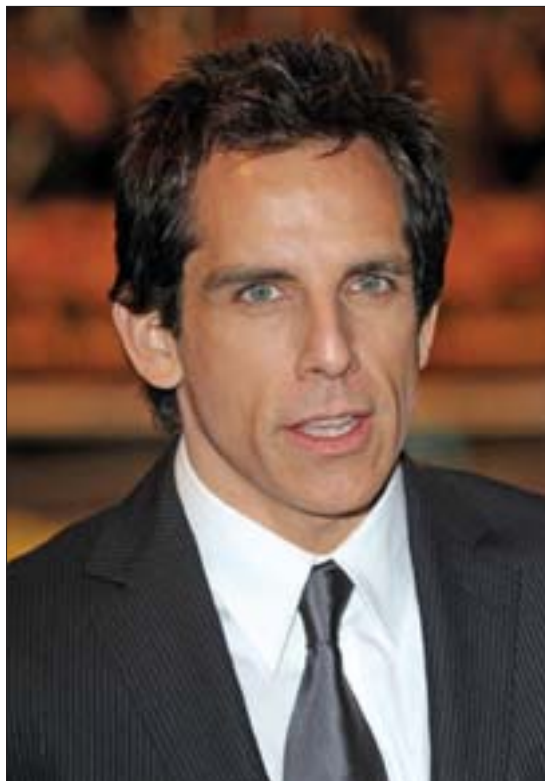
"There is some expectation, I guess, to always be funny, but it's more how you take it in yourself, like whether you care about that or not," he adds.

"You go on a talk show and people want to laugh. They want to see the funny guy be funny. But in life, I don't feel any sort of pressure to have to do that. When you're living your life you want to relax a little bit. Enjoy the funeral – you know what I mean?"

Ben has plenty of reasons to enjoy life as he approaches his 43rd birthday.

Tropic Thunder, which he co-wrote and directed, did brisk business at the US box office, knocking the phenomenally successful Batman film *The Dark Knight* off the top spot.

And his latest movie, *Madagascar: Escape 2 Africa*, the sequel to the 2005 hit animated film, in which he voices Alex the



LIVING LIFE: Ben Stiller doesn't feel the need to be the funny man all the time

lion, also made number one in the American movie charts.

"It wasn't hard to decide to do the sequel because the first one was so much fun," Ben says.

"So with the second one, once you've done it and you understand what the process is, it actually makes it a bit more fun because you understand that

there's actually going to be a movie at the end of it. The first time we always wondered if they were making a movie because it went on for so long and we didn't see anything."

Animated films of this calibre take years to make, and can be a tricky task for actors.

The stars usually have to voice

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their parts alone in a studio vocal booth, which was the case for Ben's co-stars David Schwimmer (Melman), Jada Pinkett Smith (Gloria) and Will.i.am (Moto Moto).

Ben was lucky enough to be paired up with Chris Rock (Marty) for many of his scenes.

"It's a strange process because you're alone in the room a lot of the time," he admits.

"Sometimes there's another actor there. If it's not Chris, there's somebody else there to read the lines with you. And that's really helpful."

"It's always funny to see the guy they get to read Chris's lines. They're nothing like him. And I find humour in that. It makes me laugh which is good for the energy."

But whether Ben continues to just star in comedies or turn, like Robin Williams or Jim Carrey, to more dramatic roles, people will always expect him to provide the laughs.

"It's important to do whatever interests you and I've always been interested in different kinds of things."



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Rocky Mountain adventure

■ BY ANDY WELCH

TELL anyone you're going to Colorado on holiday and chances are they'll ask if you're going skiing.

True, the American state, situated almost slap-bang in the centre of the USA in Rocky Mountain country, has some of the best snow in the world, making it a hotspot for skiers and snowboarders the world over.

But that doesn't mean a holiday in Colorado has to begin and end with pistes, ploughs and powder. There's a lot, lot more to the place than that.

Denver, which is celebrating the 150th anniversary of its founding this year, is Colorado's state capital, and also one of the most isolated cities in North America. Indeed, you have to travel about 500 miles in any direction to find another metropolis. As a result, Mile High City has an incredible air of independence, demonstrated by the huge number of privately-owned businesses and shops on every street.

Yes, there are the typical chain stores and malls you expect to find in any American city, but there are countless book, record and clothes stores, and great restaurants, which all give a unique flavour of the place, not to mention the relaxed, liberal-minded people.

Before getting into the ins and outs of Denver, however, a word of caution. Because of the city's altitude – it's not called Mile High City for nothing – the air tends to be very thin, which can lead to mild headaches and nausea.

Thankfully, it's easy to solve. Just drink plenty of water to stay hydrated, and take it easy when you arrive to acclimatise properly.

Strangely, for a landlocked city hundreds of miles from the coast, the seafood on offer in Denver is great, but most eateries in the city have bison burger or steak on the menu.



GO WEST: The Royal Gorge suspension bridge is one of Colorado's many incredible sights in the heart of America

Hotel-wise, Denver has a lot to offer too, from budget apartments, right up to our luxurious boutique Teatro. The modern hotel is so welcoming you might not want to leave. But when you do tear yourself away, it's easy to get around on foot as the Teatro's situated in the heart of Denver, on 14th Street.

If you don't want to walk, the hotel has a great car service that'll drop you off and collect you from anywhere in the city for free.

About an hour north of Denver lies the second-largest city in the state, Colorado Springs.

While it's easy enough to take a day trip here from Denver, to fully appreciate Colorado Springs it's well worth finding a hotel in the city. There are many to choose from, but for a bit of scenic luxury, splash out and stay at the

Cheyenne Mountain Resort, which has amazing chalet-like rooms, all of which have balconies facing out onto the most stunning views of the Cheyenne mountain.

On the way down from Colorado Springs, there are a number of places worth a stop, including Manitou, a small town full of arts and crafts stores, and if you find yourself anywhere near Golden, west of Denver, pay a visit to the grave of William Cody, aka Buffalo Bill.

The famous showman is buried on a spot overlooking the Great Plains and the museum there gives a fascinating insight into one of showbusiness's first great entrepreneurs, and a man who loved Colorado deeply. After sampling the state, you'll understand exactly how he felt.

FACT FILE: COLORADO

Time difference	UK minus 7 hrs
State capital	Denver
Population	4.8 million
Language	English
Climate	Semi-arid
Religion	Christian
Currency	Dollar (\$1.5 approx to £1)



Travel details

Andy Welch flew to Denver as a guest of the Colorado Tourism Office and United Airlines. From Heathrow, United Airlines offers one-stop services into Denver via Chicago, Washington DC, San Francisco and Los Angeles. United Airlines flights information: 0845 444 777 or www.unitedairlines.co.uk

United Vacations, the travel arm of United Airlines, offers tailor-made five-night stays in Colorado Springs from £765, and in Denver from £835. Prices include flights, surcharges and accommodation. Reservations: 0844 499 6661 and www.unitedvacations.co.uk.



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Blue savings give the seven-seat sector a lift

VOLKSWAGEN'S BlueMotion range of vehicles has expanded with the addition of the Touran and Sharan people carriers, which become two of the cleanest and most efficient seven-seater vehicles on the market.

A revised gearbox with lengthened ratios in third, fourth and fifth gears is linked to a highly efficient 1.9-litre, four-cylinder 105 PS engine fitted with a new variable turbocharger to further increase efficiency in the Touran (from £16,725) and a 2.0-litre 140 PS TDI in the Sharan (from £21,290).

The result is a combined fuel economy figure of 52.3mpg for the Touran BlueMotion and 47.1mpg for the Sharan BlueMotion.



Mini is a design classic

THE Mini has cemented its position as a style icon with a place in London's Design Museum.

A unique example of the reborn BMW version has gone on display, with exterior artwork designed by legendary artist, illustrator and graphic designer Alan Aldridge.

The installation, entitled The Man with Kaleidoscope Eyes is part of a design exhibition by the celebrated artist who illustrated lyric books for the Beatles, album covers for The Rolling Stones, The Who and Elton John, was art director for Penguin Books and illustrated much-loved children's books such as The Butterfly Ball.

The piece was inspired by a similar example Aldridge produced in 1965 using the original BMC Mini, which celebrates its 50th birthday in 2009.

BBC's star trio ready to select Top Gear again

TOP Gear star Jeremy Clarkson is thought to have renewed his contract and become one of the BBC's highest-paid presenters.

Co-stars Richard Hammond and James May also agreed new deals.

The car show continues to secure high viewing figures as well as court controversy: Top Gear was rapped by the BBC Trust this summer for showing Clarkson and May sipping gin and tonics during their attempt to become the first people to drive a car to the magnetic North Pole.

The show formula has also been exported successfully to Australia while a Russian version is also mooted.



LEAN MACHINE: Mitsubishi's Lancer is slightly bigger inside and out compared to its Ford Focus-class rivals with an impressive interior and good grip and balance on the road

New Lancer more suited to UK than 'land of the Lada'

RUSSIANS loved the previous Mitsubishi Lancer.

The promise of rugged reliability was always likely to endear it to former Lada owners, but even a bargain price and much spec failed to convince many UK buyers.

Cue this year's all-new Lancer. Prices plus specifications are still aggressive, but there is far more to please the fussier British market and a narrower gap between mainstream models and the manically turbocharged, all-wheel drive, raw meat eating £28k Evo road-going rally version.

A 237bhp Ralliart performance flagship for the 'standard range' is also on the way, likely to cost around £20,000.

For now you can max out on GS4 versions, with uprated sports chassis, Evo-style 18-inch alloys, body kit and big boot spoiler – the model tested here in £18,499 2.0-litre diesel form.

First impressions are good; the new Lancer's frowning 'beetle brow' front end sets the tone for a more angular and muscular style than its predecessor – more Evo than zero.

It is also slightly bigger inside and out than Ford Focus-class rivals, which makes the

ROAD TEST MITSUBISHI LANCER

BY STEVE LOADER

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Green rating	★★★★★

saloon version more attractive to many would-be buyers, though the five-door hatch or 'Sportback' should nab 60 per cent of sales and an estate is also expected.

The interior is impressive, showing influence from the bigger Outlander SUV, with a neat and functional dash and softer touch materials even if door trimming shows signs of old-style Mitsi.

In GS4 form it walks the talk too, with good grip and balance and decent feedback through the wheel, though the heavier diesel engine can make it yaw a little under pressure.

The 138bhp Volkswagen-supplied unit also packs the kind of punch that the Lancer's lines suggest – making it the fastest of the standard range until the Ralliart arrives.

However, Mitsubishi needs to do more on the NVH (noise, vibration and harshness) front, so check out the 1.8 petrol version if you prefer more refinement at the cost of a bit more fuel.

The diesel version does settle nicely at cruising speeds though and makes this new Lancer a good budget performance model for our cash-strapped times.

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Tigra

Year	Reg	Model	Eng Dr	Colour	M/age	E
2006	GL06JVV	Tigra Exclusiv	1.4 2	Star silver	15,975	9,995
2008	GJ08HAE	Tigra Exclusiv	1.4 2	Antigua	9,650	11,995

Astra

Year	Reg	Model	Eng Dr	Colour	M/age	E
2002	GL020FS*	Astra Elegance Auto	1.8 5	Black sapphire	51,700	3,695
2005	GJ55NNU	Astra Breeze	1.6 5	Silver lightening	38,000	6,995
2006	GL06JUJ	Astra Sxi CDTi	1.7D 5	Silver lightening	20,850	7,695
2007	GJ070GF	Astra Energy Auto	1.8 5	Star Silver	15,300	7,995
2007	GK57ZPU	Astra Club CDTi Est	1.3D 5	Panacotta	8,275	11,995
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2008	GF08BJE	Astra Sxi Sports hatch	1.4 3	Black sapphire	2,595	10,495
2008	GF08BHP	Astra Sxi Sports Hatch	1.4 3	Star silver	7,350	10,495
2008	GJ08GZV	Astra Sxi CDTi Ext pack	1.9D 5	Star silver	5,630	13,995
2008	GF08BJV	Astra Sxi Sports Hatch	1.4 3	Black sapphire	3,200	9,995
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2008	GF08BHW	Astra Sxi	1.6 5	Moonland	4,500	9,495

Signum

Year	Reg	Model	Eng Dr	Colour	M/age	E
2007	GK57ZPT	Exclusiv CDTi Nav	1.9D 5	Star silver	9,950	12,995

Corsa

Year	Reg	Model	Eng Dr	Colour	M/age	E
2005	GL05VUG	Corsa Energy CDTi	1.3 5	Energy blue	36,800	5,995
2005	GK55UUX*	Corsa Sxi A/c	1.2 3	Silver lightening	66,975	4,495
2005	GJ550EF	Corsa Sxi	1.2 3	Ultra blue	12,380	5,150
2008	GF08BJX	Corsa Breeze	1.0 5	Black sapphire	1,260	8,995
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2008	GF08NYT	Corsa VXR	1.6 3	Arden blue	4,700	13,995

Meriva

Year	Reg	Model	Eng Dr	Colour	M/age	E
2004	HV04PDF	Meriva Life A/c	1.6 5	Spearmint silver	43,000	4,695
2006	GF56UFZ	Design CDTi Ext pack	1.7D 5	Metro blue	29,170	7,995
2008	GF08MDX	Meriva CDTi Breeze +	1.3D 5	Star silver	3,350	11,995
2008	GF08BHZ	Meriva Life A/c	1.4 5	Lancelot	2,870	8,495
2008	GJ08UGV	Meriva Breeze	1.4 5	Black sapphire	12,500	8,995

Vectra

Year	Reg	Model	Eng Dr	Colour	M/age	E
2004	PK54PHF*	Vectra Life	1.8 5	Panacotta	80,100	3,995
2005	KG05KVX	Vectra Sri	2.2 5	Star silver	30,550	6,995
2005	GJ55HVL	Exclusive CDTi Est	1.9D 5	Star silver	23,800	8,250
2008	GL57NXX	CDTi Exclusive Auto	1.9D 5	Ultra blue	5,350	11,995
2008	GJ08GZN	Vectra Exclusive CDTi	1.9D 5	Silver	9,380	10,495
2008	GF08NXX	Vectra Exclusiv	1.8 5	Black sapphire	6,000	8,495

Zafira

Year	Reg	Model	Eng Dr	Colour	M/age	E
2005	FD05JWP*	Zafira Life	1.8 5	Ultra blue	38,250	5,995
2005	RN05DZU	Zafira Design	1.6 5	Star silver	39,000	6,195
2005	LV05YEJ	Zafira Life A/c	1.8 5	Star silver	52,300	5,995
2005	GK550NW	New Zafira Life A/c	1.6 5	Flame red	31,650	7,495
2006	GJ06YHR	Zafira Active CDTi	1.9D 5	Metro blue	21,900	8,495
2008	GF08MBUN	New Zafira Breeze CDTi	+1.9D 5	Star silver	3,985	13,995
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MERCEDES-BENZ E-CLASS



PERHAPS the most staid of our trio, the E-Class claims the highest swank value. Nothing at this level beats a three-pointed star on the bonnet. Reliability and quality has been excellent, though the halo slipped on the current 2002-launch range (pictured) until a facelift in 2006. Ride and handling is more in the 'comfort zone', but the E-Class is nimble enough and the estate is a cavernous and luxurious load-lugger. Excellent diesel engines complete a tempting package.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
Value	★★★★★
Running costs	★★★★★
Reliability	★★★★★
Quality	★★★★★

AUDI A6



UNTIL the current A6 range, Audi's 'management motor' struggled to match its German rivals for style and image, though fit and finish was beyond reproach. However, examples built before the current 2004 line-up (pictured) can still be incredible bargains. Unless you buy the more expensive quattro versions though, an A6 means front-wheel drive – not everyone's preference. Ride and comfort also tends towards hard and 'sporting', but the A6 has excellent powerplants, particularly diesels.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
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BMW 5-SERIES



BMW and its charismatic badge enjoy the most aspirational image with buyers and much credit goes to the 5-Series – a big car yet famed for its handling. The previous (pre-2003 – pictured) incarnation laid the foundations for that and many people still prefer its reserved styling to the 'new age Beemer' looks of its successor. The 5-Series also boasts some excellent engines, including diesels, though underpowered four-cylinder petrol models are best avoided.

STAR QUALITY

Driving appeal	★★★★★
Looks and image	★★★★★
Space	★★★★★
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A4, 1.8TDI 130 se estate, 2003, blue m with grey cloth, 67000 miles, £3950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

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BMW

318 SE SALLON, 2002, 02 (02) bmw 318 se (face lift) 4 door saloon, 143 bhp, stunning met grey coachwork with immaculate grey trim, full service history (just serviced) manual gear box, traction control, cruise control, remote central locking, alarm, air con, power seats, ew x 4, electric & folding mirrors, twin air bags, alloy wheels, original cd hi-fi + much more, stunning condition, true luxury at an affordable price, only £7695, metallic grey, 102,000 miles, £7695, Riviera Car Sales, Folkestone, 01303 244244 (TRADE)

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AVED, 2008, poly silver, 25 miles, £8145, F&Barnes, Maidstone, 01622 755531 (TRADE)

LACETTI, SX 1.6, g05cyh, finished in silver with interior, silver, 33000 miles, £5895, Caffyns Chevrolet T Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 515700 (TRADE)

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300C, 5.7v8 auto estate, 2007, brilliant crystal met with dark and light slate gr, 10577 miles, £18950, Martin James Cars, Kent, 01795426700 (TRADE)

NEON, 2.0 LX, 1995 (n), 95 (n) chrysler neon 2.0 li automatic, 5 door saloon, metallic green coachwork with contrasting grey velour trim, low mileage, service history, new mot, ew x 4, em, pas, air bags, original hi-fi, only 1 owner from new, a snip at now £995 many more quality pre-owned cars for sale on: www.riviercarsales.co.uk, metallic green, low mileage miles, £only 3995, Riviera Car Sales, Folkestone, 01303 244244 (TRADE)

CITROEN

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C2, 1.4i VTR 3dr, 1.4i vtr 3dr hatch, sport red, 1000 miles, £3495, Masters Citroen, Penze, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

FIAT

COUPE, 2.0 16V, 1995, red, 72451 miles, £1995, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

GRANDE PUNTO, wr07tyc, blue, 5810 miles, £2845, Thames Group Tunbridge Wells, Tunbridge Wells, 01892 549766 (TRADE)

FORD

FIESTA, 1.8 DIESEL VAN, 1997 (p), 97 (9) ford fiesta 1.8 courier diesel van, 3 door hatch, diamond white coachwork with grey cloth trim, 120000 miles, recent service, new mot, air bag, original hi-fi, bargain diesel van at £2955, white, £only 2955, Riviera Car Sales, Folkestone, 01303 244244 (TRADE)

MONDEO, 2.0 LX Automatic, 2004, state blue, 24554 miles, £5995, CB Motors, Tennerden, 01580 765011 (TRADE)

HONDA

CIVIC, SE 5dr, 949461, cloth upholstery, metallic paintwork, rear wash/wipe, electric windows, aircon, cd player, stereo, central locking, immobiliser, folding rear seats, child locks, twin air bags, electric mirrors, metallic red, 39000 miles, £3490, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

HYUNDAI

ACCENT, 6ei 5dr, gk52ymp, immobiliser, cloth upholstery, head restraints, power steering, air bag, colour coded body, metallic paintwork, stereo, aluminium silver, 60000 miles, £2699, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

MATRIX, GSI, dy08tyr, alloy wheels, true blue, 1600 miles, £7995, Automatically Ray Morris (Bexleyheath), Bexleyheath, 01322 524 680 (TRADE)

ISUZU

TROOPER, CITATION 3.5 V6 LWB, 1999 4x4 Isuzu trooper citation 3.5 v6 lwb auto, 5 door, stunning met green coachwork with contrasting velour trim, service history, new mot, full electric pack, remote central locking, alarm, air con, electric windows 4, electric & folding mirrors, twin air bags, 2 & 4 wheel drive, alloy wheels, cd hi-fi, tow bar and much more, never taken off road, stunning condition, only £4995 now only £3995, metallic green, 93000 miles, Riviera Car Sales, Folkestone, 01303 244244 (TRADE)

JAGUAR

X-TYPE, 2.0 SE Saloon 4d 1988cc, 04 2004, speed box, full jaguar service history, cd/radio, ivory leather trim, electric windows, central locking, pas, cruise control, electric mirrors, air conditioning, front and rear heated screens, airbags, abs, front fog lamps, alloys, immaculate condition, metallic pacific blue, miles, £12995, Westbrook Cars, Canterbury, 01227 710685 (TRADE)

KIA

CEED, 1.6 LS CRDI SW Diesel, abs alarm alloy wheels central locking drivers airbag front electric windows immobiliser power steering passenger airbag side airbags remote central locking body coloured bumper folding rear seats front fog lights roof rails, silver, 5600 miles, £12995, Masters Bromley Kia, Beckenham, 0208 662 6133 (TRADE)

MAZDA

323, GT 5dr, 774461, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, head restraints, pas, air bag, colour coded body, metallic paintwork, electric windows, air conditioning, cd player, stereo, 15" alloys, aluminium silver, 87000 miles, £1999, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

MAZDA3, 3 TS 5dr, 4890314, anti-theft system, central locking, immobiliser, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, height adjustable seat, lumbar support, folding rear seats, metallic paintwork, abs, multiple airbags, power steering, electric front windows, electric mirrors, aircon, cd player, blue, 7000 miles, £3995, Automatically Ray Morris (Welling), Welling, 0208 303 4030 (TRADE)

MINI

COOPER, 1.6 3dr Manual ** TWIN SUNROOFS **, adjustable seats, alloy wheels, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assisted steering, remote locking, radio/cassette, side airbags, rear headrests, Insurance group-6, black, 31313 miles, £3690, SMC Ford Craftroy, Craftroy, 01322 621667 (TRADE)

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COLT, 1.5 SPORT, 2004, black, miles, £6995, Masters Group Mitsubishi Bromley, Beckenham, 0208 6587122 (TRADE)

OUTLANDER, 1.8 2.0 Di-DC Elegance 5dr, V58Bhl, 50 miles, £24999, SMC Mitsubishi Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 01795 429802 (TRADE)

NISSAN

ALMERA, 1.8 SE 5dr Auto (2002 - 2005), 27/09/2005, cd player abs driver airbag power steering electric windows, blue, 46065 miles, £5000, Canterbury, 0844 856 4494 (TRADE)

MICRA, Acenta PLUS 5dr, 4767314, alloys, black, 1000 miles, £3995, Automatically Ray Morris (Welling), Welling, 0208 303 4030 (TRADE)

PEUGEOT

206, 1.4 VERVE 5dr, 30/03/2006, abs, black, 16500 miles, £26250, Invicta Motors, Canterbury, 0844 856 4494 (TRADE)

RENAULT

CLIO, PRIVILEGE, feb 06, 5 doors, automatic, hatchback, petrol, 13, 075 miles, metallic grey, 2 owners, 3x3 point rear seat belts, abs, air conditioning, alloy wheels, audio remote control, body coloured bumpers, cloth seat trim, climate control, cruise control, drivers airbag, electric/mirrors, folding rear seats, front electric windows, front head restraints, full size spare wheel, heated door mirrors, height adjustable drivers seat, immobiliser, isofix child seat anchor points, lumbar support, pas, passenger airbags, radio/cd, rear electric windows, rear headrests, rear wiper, remote central locking, service indicator, side airbags, steering wheel rake adjustment, computer full service renaulthistorylast insurance 27/10/08, 2 months tax, insurance group-5, grey, £7250, KENT, 01843585136 (PRIVATE)

MEGANE, PRIVILEGE 1.6+ CABRIOLET, 2007, trim: part leather engine size: 1600 transmission: manual no. of doors: 2, pearl black, 8000 miles, £11995, Palm Bay, Margate, 01843 298554 (TRADE)

SEAT

ALTEA, 2.0TDI STYLANCE MPV 5d 1968cc (2007), 08/2008, front fog lights heated door mirrors tinted glass climate control 16" alloy wheels radio/cd player rain sensor light sensor & much much more!!!!!! metallic luna grey, delivery miles, £was £15, 955 now £15, 500, Cheriton Motor House, Folkestone, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

SKODA

FABIA, 1.4 16v (100bhp) Elegance Estate 5d 1390cc, y506krm, driver seat height adjustment, computer driver/passenger heated seats, power-assisted steering, rev counter, rake/reach, electric/heated door mirrors, rear wash/wipe, tinted glass, front fog lights, body coloured bumpers, roof rails, front/rear electric windows, front/rear head restraints, split rear seat, anti-lock brakes, driver and passenger air bags, centre rear seat belt, alarm, remote central door locking, immobiliser, 14in alloy wheels, steel spare wheel, diamond silver, £5241 miles, £3490, Sherlodge Garage, Gillingham, 01634 377444 (TRADE)

OCTAVIA, Vrs, 10033578, remote central locking, remote alarm, privacy glass, cloth upholstery, half leather, centre armrest, head restraints, sports seats, met paintwork, abs, air bag, traction control, power steering, aelectric mirrors, electric windows, dual climate zones, multi-disc cd player, radio, 17" alloys, black, 8795 miles, £15995, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

SUPERB, CLASSIC, h53kjl, remote central locking, remote alarm, cloth upholstery, metallic paintwork, abs, air bag, traction control, adjustable steering column, climate control, multi-disc cd player, radio, alloy wheels, blue, 41128 miles, £6995, Saunders Abbott, Sidcup, 020 8300 2450 (TRADE)

IMPREZA, WRX TURBO, 2004, red, 38000 miles, £10995, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

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ALTO, 1.1 GL Hatchback 5dr, 54/2005, pas central locking electric windows, bright red, 15, 000 miles, £3895, Cheriton Motor House, Folkestone, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

ALTO, 1.1 GL Hatchback 5d 1061cc, 04/2004, pas electric windows radio/cd player central locking, blue metallic, 19, 000 miles, £4395, Cheriton Motor House, Folkestone, 01303 275795 (TRADE)

GRAND VITARA, 2005, 3x3 point rear seat belts abs alloy wheels audio remote control body coloured bumpers climatic control drivers airbag electrodor mirrors folding rear seats front armrest front electric windows front fog lights front head restraints full size spare wheel heated door mirrors height adjustable drivers seat immobiliser isofix child seat anchor/points leather seat trim metallic paint pas passenger airbag radio/cd rear armrest rear electric windows rear headrests rear wiper remote central locking roof rails steering wheel rake adjustment, azure grey, 21071 miles, £5995, WJ King Vauxhall, Gravesend, 01474 565656 (TRADE)

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AYGO, 1.0 VFT-i + 3dr, 2006, 1.0 vft-i + 3dr hatch, grey, 14726 miles, £5995, Masters Citroen, Penze, 0208 659 0909 (TRADE)

COROLLA, 3i VFT-i 5dr 1.6 Man, metallic grey, remote central locking, cloth upholstery, head restraints, power steering, colour coded body, metallic paintwork, rear wash/wipe, electric mirrors, air conditioning, cd player, rear headrests, adjustable steering column, trip computer, abs, brake assist, child locks, side air bags, twin air bags, front fog lamps, automatic electric windows, 15" alloys, lucerne silver, 75000 miles, £4499, Marshams, Maidstone, 01622 200 100 (TRADE)

YARIS, GS VFT-i, fm02 gzs, central locking, rear wash/wipe, electric front windows, power steering, adjustable steering column, radio cassette, twin air bags, cloth upholstery, blue, 46000 miles, £3995, Kings Highway Garage Ltd, Plumstead, 020 8855 4000 (TRADE)

VAUXHALL

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TIGRA, 1.8i 16V SPORT 2dr "Cabriolet" "Hard Top", g54kzu, adjustable seats, adjustable steering column/wheel, alloy wheels, driver airbag, electric mirrors, electric windows, foglights, head restraints, immobiliser, passenger airbag, power assistible steering, remote locking, side airbags, radio/cd, sports seats, 1 year warranty and roadside assistance, contact the used car team for more help. blue, 24284 miles, £6995, SMC Ford Sittingbourne, Sittingbourne, 01795 426693 (TRADE)

VOLKSWAGEN

GOLF, 2.8 vr6, 1998, black, 93000 miles, £2500, County Car Sales, Dover, 01304 242324 (TRADE)

LT, 35 109bhp Lwb Hi-Roof, bd55gzl, white, 34000 miles, £7000, Clearways Commercial, Sevenoaks, 01474 853034 (TRADE)

LUPO, E 3dr, g54uhl, power steering, metallic paintwork, immobiliser, cloth upholstery, aluminium silver, 27000 miles, £4995, Automatically Ray Morris (Bexleyheath), Bexleyheath, 01322 524 680 (TRADE)

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Single mum, 28, looking for LTR. I enjoy cosy nights in, dancing, dining out. I'm 5ft1, short hair, blue eyes. Box 445363

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Social, genuine, honest, single mum, 36, 5ft6. I've got hazel eyes and dark hair, and enjoy the cinema, meals out. WLTW sincere, attractive, genuine male. Box 446480

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37yr old female, 2 kids, slim, brown hair and eyes, 5ft2, looking for a caring, loving, honest and trusting male to be my someone special. Box 446552

MEND A BROKEN HEART
Single mum, 37, fun-loving, been hurt in past, looking for nice, genuine guy for hopeful happiness - no time wasters! Box 390553

SEIZE THE DAY
Loving female, 36, 5'4", brown hair, green eyes, likes socialising, staying in, seeks genuine male for friendship and more. Box 442866

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Bubbly, cuddly, blonde single mum, 38, 5'6", likes cars, reading, pubs, cosy nights in, having a laugh, looking for that right male for LTR. Box 905614

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Nurse, 37yrs, 2 kids, 5ft8, blonde hair, blue eyes, likes the gym, cooking, swimming, salsa dancing, looking for a kind, caring, loyal male Box 431557

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Turbidge Wells lady, brown hair/eyes, 38, 1m a teacher and love theatre, reading, cinema, swimming, travel. Looking for like minded chap for happy times. Box 444923

THIS STATE OF INDEPENDENCE
Hard-working female, 41, 5'4", bubbly, independent woman, love to laugh, socialising with friends, looking for independent man who values life. Box 414156

YOU NEVER KNOW
Kind, loving and caring mum, 43, 5ft5, round but cuddly! Just looking for someone to share my life with... how about you? St. Leonards-on-Sea. Box 446457

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Laid-back single mum, very bubbly, outgoing and intelligent, 43, enjoys social life, drinks, meals, cinema, looking to start afresh with someone new, easygoing and life-loving. Box 446102

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Homely traditional lady, 44, 5ft8, slim-medium build, non-smoker, love life, animals, my dog, walks along the harbour, country pubs, WLTW similar gent for romance. Box 446277

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Bubbly female, 44, brunette, NS, medium-large build, enjoys singing and theatre. Would love to meet a decent fun-loving guy, similar age, pref non-smoker for LTR. Box 445955

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Hard working single mum, young 44yr old, 5ft5, medium build, enjoys dining out, holidays, cinema and walks, WLTW a caring and genuine male for friendship/relationship. Box 444751

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Hi I'm 44, slim, 5ft4, a redhead, love nights out, socialising, looking for friendship initially and hopefully more. Box 869900

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Fun extrovert person, 45, likes cinema, going out, meals, socialising, 5ft7, dark brown hair/eyes, curvy, seeking nice guy to start off as friends. Box 442905

ARE YOU THE ONE FOR ME?
Caring, cute female, 46, petite, likes socialising, dancing, travelling, good food, seeking intelligent, loyal man 42-52 for love and TLC. Seaford. Box 443666

HAPPY GO LUCKY
Sincere, happy woman, with GSOH. I'm 5ft6, with short brown hair, brown eyes. I have lots of interests and WLTW similar guy. Box 895019

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Single, young looking 49yr old lady, blonde hair, blue eyes. I love nights out and evenings in. Box 986940

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LETS CLICK
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Curvy & cuddly outgoing, friendly, honest female, 53, 5ft7, larger build, fair hair, likes socialising, country walks, theatre, cinema, music, swimming. WLTW similar loving male. Box 441156

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Gorgeous slim attractive young-looking female, 54, active, wicked SOH, 5ft5, blue eyes, sociable, loves music, dancing, travelling; seeking warm, sincere man for genuine companionship. Box 446634

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SOPHISTICATED SUE
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FRIENDSHIP, MAYBE MORE
Curvy bi female, 32, seeks like-minded woman, for friendship, hopefully more. Single mum, work part time. Box 886142

LOVELY JO
Young-looking attractive female, 54, NS, friendly and sociable, love music, dance and history, warm and sparkly. WLTW a genuine female for a close female friendship. Box 445146

WHERE R U?
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DIG DEEPER
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ENTERTAIN ME
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COOKING UP A STORM
Single male in Kent, 32, 5ft9, clean shaven, attractive, intelligent, a chef, loves music, classical, jazz, blues, reggae. WLTW down-to-earth, open-minded guy for relationship. Box 446910

CAN YOU KEEP UP?
Very sporty male, 33, 6ft2, muscular, 5ft10, 16st, brown hair, blue eyes, enjoys drinks, films, socialising, looking for a female 35-45, likes unimportant/personally essential! Hastings. Box 446186

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R U A ME?
Down-to-earth, loyal guy, 36, looking for companionship, leading to a long-term relationship. Enjoys meals out, company, conversation, cosy evenings in. Box 914917

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Male, 39, 5ft7, slim, brown hair/brown eyes, really looking for that special lady to make me happy in life, dine with, drink with and more. Box 446903

LOVE ON THE DANCEFLOOR
Outgoing young-minded male, 47, a smoker, likes war games, books, cinema, castles, POI, seeking similar woman to boogie on the dancefloor with. Box 443750

PUT THAT SPARK BACK INTO MY LIFE
Virgo male, 40, 5ft7, stocky build, kind, loving, fine, enjoys the cinema, meals out, walks on beaches, WLTW like-minded person to chat. Box 446812

THE WRITING'S ON THE WALL
Attractive mixed race male, 41, 5ft7, likes chatting and music. Looking for a feminine female under 44, in Swale, Medway boroughs. Box 884332

WANTS TO COOK FOR TWO
Single male, 43, no lies, very genuine, slim, 6ft4, brown hair, green eyes, loves sport and soul music, WLTW a female to date. Box 445760

WARM-HEARTED
Single friendly guy, genuine, honest, very affectionate, 43, 6ft4, slim, short brown hair, green eyes, WLTW affectionate lady for genuine relationship. Box 446872

JOIN THE ROUND TABLE
Single dad, 43, blond, blue eyes, 6ft1, loves his kids, charity work, meals in/out, travelling, great SOH, laid-back seeking similar easygoing lady for life. Box 446791

DAD'S THE WORD
Lonely single male, 44, 6ft2, fair hair, great SOH, quite happy but looking for a lady 30-50 to have fun with and hopefully something else. Box 446452

ILL MAKE YOU LAUGH
Very romantic, caring and loyal male, slim, blue eyes, fair hair, great SOH, seeks female with similar interests for hopeful LTR. Hastings area. Box 446120

BEEN HURT IN THE PAST
I'm a decent, hardworking lorry driver, mid 40s, not your average as I still love to enjoy life, see new places & meet interesting people! Box 445492

FEEL THE MAGIC
Slim male, 42, looking for a 37-47yr old lady for friendship, hopefully developing to more. Gillingham area. Box 446453

A FINE ROMANCE
Easygoing, attractive, affectionate man, 44, 5ft11, enjoys cinema, cosy nights in, music, seeking an attractive lady for friendship/relationship. Box 446272

YOUNG AT HEART
Dependable, easygoing guy, I love animals, good food, music, films, good conversation, country pubs. I'm 45, with blue eyes. Box 446761

HAPPY TOGETHER
White male, 46, 5ft7, easygoing, NS, loves a laugh, enjoys theme parks/cenotromantic walks, WLTW female to be happy with. Tammy please call again! lost number- Box 444339

SHARE THE GOOD LIFE
Professional male, 45, own home/car, likes gardening, weekends away, coast, a BBQ and good wine, looking for friendship, hopefully more. Box 428202

WHY WAIT?
Clean cut, honest, happy male, 45, stocky build, 5ft07, smoker, single dad, blue eyes, looking for friendship/companionship, leading to a LTR. Hastings area. Box 439782

GENUINE & SINCERE
Hard-working male, 47, slim, not bad-looking 5ft8, into most things...sports, pubs/meals, socialising, walks, travel... WLTW slim, honest, loyal, attractive guy with great SOH, for hopeful LTR. Box 444244

YOU FOR ME & ME FOR YOU...
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ROMANCE, PASSION, LAUGHTER
Slim build male, 48, 6ft, dark brown hair, eyes, attractive, animated, confident, eclectic, seeking soulmate 43-53 forever. Box 446553

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QUIET LIFE
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CONSIDER THIS
Professional male, 50s, tall, slim, NS, likes live music, eating in, out, to walking, WLTW slim female, NS, to share interests together. Sittingbourne Box 189556

MY ONLY WISH THIS CHRISTMAS
Young looking man, 55, 5ft8, slim, looking for a lady, 50-60, for fun, friendship, maybe a LTR. I enjoy pubbing, cinema, and much more... Box 446905

A CLASSIC CASE
Respectable gentleman, 57, 5ft11, medium build, no beer belly, clean shaven! Likes classic cars, meals out, walks, WLTW nice lady to share time with. Box 446758

100% GENTLEMAN
Hurt in the past, I'm a young looking, 58yr old, guy, Bechill-on-sea. I like travel, animals, cooking. I'm a smoker, and looking for a sincere woman. Box 446905

NICE TO MEET YOU
Tall, slim, non-smoking male, Kent area, I'm 58, and enjoy playing the piano, walking, eating out. WLTW nice, non-smoking lady with similar interests. Box 446794

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Professional male, 50s, likes live music, eating in and out, WLTW slim female, to share interests together. Sittingbourne Box 153535

TAKING OUR TIME
Homely gent, 65, fit, non-smoker, likes gardening, fishing, antiques, seeks attractive, slim, carefree lady 50-55ish for company to pubs, walks, and more in time. Eastbourne. Box 446454

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SNUGGLE UP
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NO TIMEWASTERS!
Easygoing female, 32, enjoys shopping, football, eating out, cosy night in, WLTW loving, caring white male 35-47 for long term loving relationship. Box 444214

CUDDLY FEMALE
32, 5ft9, brown hair, curvy figure, enjoys having fun and a laugh, and WLTW nice, kind gent. Box 394902

ATTENTION TALL WHITE GUY REQUIRED
Pretty black female, 32, tall, loves watching football, shopping, travel, seeking tall, white, loving male, 34-47, for LTR. Chatham. Box 347778

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Hours: 37.5
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Job Title: Specialist Speech & Language Therapist (Thanet Schools Team)

Salary: £24,103 - £32,653 pa
Band: 6
Hours: 37.5
Location: Margate, Kent
Ref: 767-ECC635
Closing date: 16/12/08

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Salary: £24,103 - £32,653 pa
Band: 6
Hours: 37.5
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BUSINESS BRIEFS

Concrete commitment as Brett signs up to charter

BRETT Landscaping and Building Products has signed up to a sustainability charter which lays down commitments designed to improve the Medway-based company's sustainability performance and profile.

It is organised by the British Precast Concrete Federation.

Commitments include developing products that improve the quality of the built environment, minimising waste disposal to landfill, cutting pollution and emissions linked to production and transportation, using energy more efficiently and reducing businesses carbon footprints.

Campuses combine for third sector research

KENT University has links with the University of Birmingham's new Third Sector Research Centre.

Its aim is to conduct research and analysis into the so-called third sector – organisations such as charities, social enterprises and small community organisations.

Birmingham is working in partnership with the University of Southampton and the centre is funded by the Economic and Social Research Council, Office of the Third Sector and the Barrow Cadbury Trust.

The world-class centre will receive a total joint investment of £10.25 million over the next five years.

Extras effort results in travel awards triumph

HOLIDAY Extras, a UK market leader for airport parking and hotels based in east Kent, came away victorious from the British Travel Awards 2008 with the award for Best Airport Parking Company.

The prestigious awards were hosted by comedian Frankie Boyle in London and David Stratton, head of sales, picked up the award.

"The competition this year was extremely tough," he said. "But there can be no better reward for the hard work of everyone involved."

Paperwork pitfalls in booming market

■ BY TOM BETTS



KEY ADVICE: Landlords should avoid allowing tenants in before the legalities have been completed, says solicitor Annabel Pullan of Gullands law firm

RENTED property is a booming market these days for obvious reasons – but a warning has gone out to landlords that they shouldn't jump in too quick before the paperwork is sorted out.

Annabel Pullan, a solicitor at law firm Gullands, based at Maidstone but covering the whole of the county, said landlords keen not to lose out should be wary of allowing tenants to go in before everything is legal.

Landlords may come under a lot of pressure from prospective tenants to go into premises before all the papers have been processed. But there's a risk that tenants will be in there on uncertain terms and disputes could flare up which would be expensive in time and money to resolve.

Ms Pullan said: "Problems that can arise in such a situation apply equally where a landlord enters into protracted negotiations for a lease and continues to allow the occupier to remain in occupation and pay rent without completing the lease."

"Also, they may arise where a landlord allows an occupier to remain in occupation where the lease has not been formally assigned to that person."

She said potential problems were illustrated by a recent case – technically (if you want to look it up), *Manton Securities Limited v Nazam* [2008] EWCA Civ 805 – where the landlord did not take action following an unlawful, informal assignment of a lease.

The landlord allowed the occupier to remain in occupation paying rent, tolerated late payment of rent and even continued with protracted negotiations for a new lease.

"In such a situation there are a number of options available to a landlord, but in this case a court order was made obliging the landlord to grant a lease for a term of 21 years to a tenant with a poor record of paying rent on time and with whom the landlord has fallen out."

"The landlord had also paid substantial sums in costs and legal fees. This situation could have been avoided by the landlord taking firm action at the outset and others placed in this situation should take note."

Meantime, thousands of landlords and letting agents have signed up on a new comprehensive website for them, and tenants and prospective renters might also find it useful to check out. It's www.riky.co.uk and is full of advice and information, whether initial queries or detailed help. There's even some help with how to approach advertising.

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DESERVED POINTS: Sittingbourne manager Gary Abbott reserved praise for striker Richard Brady

Boss's bunch of praise for Brady

FOOTBALL

IF YOU had offered Gary Abbott a point from Saturday's trip to Whyteleafe before kick-off he would have taken it, but by the end the Sittingbourne manager felt the 2-1 scoreline flattered the home side.

Abbott interrupted his Sunday afternoon gardening routine to talk Yourswale through the game, beginning with Richard Brady's opening goal.

Abbott, a striker of some repute in his day, gave his top scorer qualified praise.

He said: "I was a bit disap-

pointed with Richard in the first 10-15 minutes because there were two or three other passes he could have got to, but that's Brades.

"What happened is that when he went round the keeper he slipped, which is why he went so wide, but once he went round him I knew he would score."

Abbott also cleared up the confusion around the alleged head butt on Ian Varley. "It wasn't a head butt, he got an elbow," he said.

"Nick Reeves gave away a silly free-kick on the edge of the box and what's happening now is the linesmen aren't giving the referees any help.

"Ian and their number 10, I'm not sure of his name, were just having a bit of a shove – which happens – and he's elbowed him."

"I went over to the linesman and said I'm not having a go, but you've got to help your mate out – he's 40 yards away – but he was too busy watching the wall."

Abbott felt Whyteleafe just about stuck to the spirit of the game. "They were physical, but not dirty. There were tackles flying in, but apart from the last five minutes when they went with four up front we were comfortable."

Defeat brings Ness back down to earth

ANY hopes last week's draw would spark a revival for Sheerness East in the Kent County League were dashed, when they slipped to their 12th defeat of the season at Bly Spartans.

Having earned their first point of the season last week with a 3-3 draw at Snodland, East were beaten 3-2 by Strood-based side Bly and remain bottom of the Premier Division table.

Swale rivals Milton & Fulston United were unable to climb any closer to safety when their trip to Phoenix Sports was postponed.

In Division 2 East Woodstock Park were beaten 4-2 at Malgo, but remain second.

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Gillingham boss Mark Stimson admits the club's focus is on the league

Men Court out by Epsom hat-trick hero

GORE Court's Men's 1sts suffered a 5-2 defeat to Epsom at Therfield School. Gary Scott scored a hat-trick for the Surrey side, all from penalty corners, while James Midmer and Anthony Williamson struck in open play.

The result means Court stay fifth in South Premier Division 2 ahead of Saturday's fixture with Wimbledon at The Grove, push backed to 1.30pm.

Old Bordenians were beaten 3-2 by Eastbourne in the South League, with all three of the Sussex side's goals coming from open play. The 3rds also lost 3-2, against Canterbury Millers, and are fourth in the Kent Open Premier B division.

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Picture: CHRIS REGAN

ON TARGET: Sittingbourne's Richard Brady (left) celebrates his goal (right) which capped off an impressive display for Gary Abbott's side

No ifs and butts about it, Bourne deserved to win

FOOTBALL

BY FRED ATKINS

Whyteleafe 1

Murray-Price 85

Sittingbourne 2

Brady 19, Bradbrook 54



Sittingbourne starting XI



Subs used: Plant (Alderton 56), Milton (Brady 80)

A GAME that had almost everything, including an apparent off-the-ball head butt, a finish that defied the laws of geometry and a desperate last-ditch clearance, saw Sittingbourne stay in the hunt for a Ryman Division 1 South play-off place.

The Brickies made six changes to the side that lost to Whitstable in the Ryman League Cup five days earlier.

Ian Varley, Joe Dowley, Richard Brady, Tom Bradbrook, Colin Richmond and Rio Alderton all returned after missing the 1-0 defeat against the Oystermen, but the best early chance fell to the Leaf, when a Denna McKenzie cross whistled across the Sittingbourne box.

The Brickies went in front on 19 minutes. A defensive blunder gifted Brady possession but the chance appeared to have gone when the club's top scorer took the ball to a seemingly impossible position.

Instead he produced a brilliant finish to clip Sittingbourne into the lead, though any eupho-

ria the visitors felt was tempered when Varley received an apparent off-the-ball butt that went unseen by the referee and therefore unpunished.

The Surrey side began the second half strongly and in the 51st-minute Dowley was forced into a tremendous goal-line clearance that just preserved the visitors' lead.

Jabbie Alhajie then let the Brickies off the hook when he elected to shoot instead of passing to better placed colleagues with 53 minutes

gone and a minute later he was made to rue his blunder.

Hicham Akhazzan floated in a cross and Tom Bradbrook arrived at the far post to prod Sittingbourne into a 2-0 lead.

The home side responded, with Alhajie producing a shot that looked destined for the net until Matt Reed somehow deflected it over the bar.

With five minutes to go the Leaf's attacking finally halved the lead, when Carlton Murray-Price headed in an Alhajie cross and Matt Bourne had to make a goalline clearance in the dying moments to secure the points.

Hard-earned draw keeps Town in touch at the top

FOOTBALL

BY GLENN PEARSON

Faversham Town 1

O'Brien 77

Erith Town 1

Allen 5

FAVERSHAM Town consolidated their position in the top five of the Kent League Premier Division after they picked up a valuable point at home to Erith Town.

After missing out on the game at Holmesdale last weekend as a result of the weather, the Lilywhites were keen to get back to the action as they continue to put pressure on the top five in the division.

Going into the game on the back of confident displays against both Beckenham Town in the Kent League Cup and Hythe Town in the league, Faversham would have fancied adding to their points tally at Salters Lane.

With Sean Hetterley still absent nursing cracked ribs and Ben Ives pulling out in the pre-match warm up due to illness, manager Justin Luchford fielded a squad which included five of the club's under-18s, a fact that highlights the number of injuries within the first team, as well as demonstrating the strength in depth at Salters Lane.

The Dockers opened the scoring after only five minutes. A long throw-in from the right was headed on and only half cleared by Town keeper Kevin Readings as his punch dropped

Faversham starting XI



Subs used: Shearer (Abel 86)

to Myrie Allen, who seized his chance to fire the ball low into the Town net.

Erith's lead should have been extended when the impressive Marcus Cassius found himself through one-on-one with Readings, but the Town stopper did well to deny the in-form Dockers striker.

The visitors continued to dominate the first half against a lacklustre Lilywhite side who were kept in the game only by a string of fine saves from Readings.

As half-time beckoned Town's best chance fell to Dane Luchford who received the ball courtesy of a fine solo run down the left from Chris Oyebanjo. His cross found Luchford unmarked in the penalty area, but with time on his side Luchford opted for a first touch strike which soared high over visiting keeper Jack Bradshaw's crossbar.

Luchford clearly had words with his troops at half-time as the Lilywhites came out with more determination in the second half and deservedly equalised after 77 minutes through loan signing Steven O'Brien.

The ball fell to O'Brien on the left of the area and his well struck shot hit the far post before rebounding into the net.

The Lilywhites didn't make it easy on themselves as they had reserve team striker



Petina TONY GRAY

MISSED OPPORTUNITY: Dane Luchford wasted a good chance in the first half as Faversham drew

Chris Oyebanjo sent off after receiving two yellow cards.

The home side managed to hold on for a share of the spoils in the end which leaves them in fifth spot. Town are back in action at the weekend in the Kent Senior Trophy second round against Orpington from the Kent County League. Kick-off is at 3pm at Salters Lane.

RUGBY



NARROW WIN: Sittingbourne take the bragging rights in local derby with a three point margin

Bourne pip Anchs in derby dust-up

Anchorians 14 Sittingbourne 17

THE bragging rights were Sittingbourne's at the weekend as they overcame local rivals Gillingham Anchorians in a typically close derby game.

Driving hard through the forwards and then spreading it wide to make use of the space, Bourne continued to stretch the home side's defence and eventually found a way past the resolute tackling after 15 minutes.

A clinical backs move created space for winger, Allan Chapman, who showed his pace to scorch over on the opposite wing. Scott Truss converted to give Bourne a 7-0 lead, which they held onto up to the break.

Bourne started the second half off the pace and, with Anchs coming out with more purpose, they found themselves under pressure straight away.

Anchs started to get their driving game going and found their way through after five minutes when their fly-half carved through the midfield and scored a converted try under the posts.

It was followed five minutes later when the Anchs' seven bulldozed his way over from close range. From controlling the game easily in the first half to then being 14-7 down in the second, Bourne had to show their character and respond immediately.

Slowly but surely they started to get their driving game going again, enabling their backs to attack from the front foot, and the game evened itself up in terms of territory and possession.

However, Bourne were unable to find a way through the tough Anchs defence until 30 minutes into the half.

A series of drives from the forwards took the ball close to the home side's 22 and when it was spread out to Truss, he dummied his way through the midfield before passing to centre Sam Catlin, who ran in under the posts.

With Truss also converting, the scores were level and it was all to play for. The last ten minutes were fairly attritional, with neither side really creating any chances, but as the clock ticked down, the pressure eventually told and Anchs were penalised at the ruck.

For the second week on the trot, skipper Truss duly stepped up and slotted over the penalty to make the scoreline 17-14.

LEAGUE TABLES

(Not including midweek games)

KENT LEAGUE PREMIER DIVISION TABLE

	P	W	D	L	Gd	Pt
1 Holmesdale	15	10	3	2	+16	33
2 Hythe Town	14	10	2	2	+18	32
3 Tunbridge Wells	13	10	0	3	+12	30
4 Herne Bay	14	8	1	5	+10	25
5 Faversham Town	12	8	0	4	+23	24
6 Deal Town	14	5	4	5	+2	19
7 Sevenoaks Town	14	5	4	5	0	19
8 Erith & Belvedere	10	6	1	3	-1	19
9 Greenwich Borough	13	6	1	6	-2	19
10 Erith Town	12	5	3	4	+5	18
11 Slade Green	15	5	3	7	-2	18
12 VCD Athletic	11	5	1	5	+11	16
13 Norton Sports	12	5	1	6	-8	16
14 Beckenham Town	15	4	2	9	-3	14
15 Croydon	11	4	1	6	-1	13
16 Lordswood	13	1	1	11	-21	4
17 Sporting Bengal Utd	14	0	0	14	-59	0

FIXTURES (Saturday): Ryman Division One South: Sittingbourne v Mersham. Kent League Premier Division: Sporting Bengal United v Norton Sports. Kent Senior Trophy second round: Faversham Town v Orpington

Court lose unbeaten record and top spot in the league

HOCKEY

Epsom 5 Gore Court 2

GORE Court were knocked off top spot in South Hockey Division Two as they slumped to their first defeat of the season in Surrey.

Still without injured captain Paul Surridge, Court were confident going into the game with an unbeaten run of nine games behind them which had seen them head the league table. However this was to be a disappointing afternoon for the team. The early stages saw both teams struggle for fluency, with Court edging the possession. The Sittingbourne side forced a short corner, but Aaron Glass fired over. Immediately Epsom counter attacked to the other end of the pitch and won a short corner of their own and their captain made no mistake as he flicked the ball in.

Court responded well to going a goal down and quickly equalised with a close range finish from the diminutive Simon Shobrook. The home side hit back almost immediately with a counter attack and converted another short corner to go in 2-1 up at half-time.

The team needed a big performance in the second half from key players, but unfortunately it was not to be. Court equalised through Adam Hart, who showed his full range of skills at centre forward.

However, as they pushed for the winner, Court failed to defend well enough and a very rare error by Andy Nellies in goal saw Epsom take the lead again. Minutes later Epsom added a fourth from a rebound at a short cor-



Petina IOR KAPKO

FIRST DEFEAT: Gore Court are no longer league leaders after being soundly beaten by Epsom

ner and the game was lost. With Court struggling to come to terms with the two goal deficit, Epsom rubbed salt into the wounds with a fifth.

Court relinquished their top spot, however, with new leaders Wimbledon travelling to Westlands next week, they have the chance to enter the Christmas break as leaders if they can secure a win.

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